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MARGINAL COLUMN

By ERAYA SHAPIRO

FIND an enemy and live in peace. Choose your enemy as strong and as far away as possible, so that he can do you no harm. But for your peace of mind, you should have an enemy. One you can detest with all your might.

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FOR all political groups in this country, the devil is identical with "the ruling party." How could it be otherwise? What better enemy could there be for a party which seeks to play a decisive role in a country's policies than the group which controls the administrative machinery and blocks the advance of the opposition?

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THEORETICALLY, the democratic machinery calls for a bucolic serenity. See the shepherd leading his flock over green hills, playing his pipe. Lo, shepherd! A fellow of his cries from another hill: "You are heading towards a precipice! Beware!" — And our friend shepherd pipes back: "Thank you, brother!" The practice of politics is, of course, a little different. One shepherd would gladly throw another over the chasm in order to lead the flock himself.

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POLITICS were comparatively simple when hardly anyone could read or write except a few monks. A count or a king would drive his rival out and tell the people of the land to praise only himself. Today people may choose their rulers by reading between letters on election day. The onus is therefore on the powers-to-be to persuade the elector that the letters of the rival party are full of grammatical mistakes. The net result of election propaganda, if carried on indiscriminately for four years from one general election to the next, is that the voting member of the community must arrive at one of the two conclusions: either that the moment the ruling party is out of power everything will be fine; or else that the best thing for the citizen is to have no government at all.

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IN their attempt to win the voter's confidence, our Opposition has done what many well-meaning political leaders in many democracies have done: identified the government with the ruling party. By abusing the government, they intended to pull down the ruling party. What they have achieved, however, is only damage to democracy itself.

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WE have daily examples of the intentional confusing of issues, and the disastrous effect of this practice on national confidence. But none is clearer in its implications than the widespread opposition to the projected radio journal. It is even likened to the Mandatory Government's magazine "Hagalgal," published at a time when relations with the foreign administration were reaching their lowest ebb.

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SOME political groups are undoubtedly interested in breaking up the solidarity of the Israelis, particularly the Communist Party, which has its own ultimate aims. Under the Mandate, the Farmers Federation sometimes aided the administration in breaking up labour unions, although this undermined the Yishuv. But why should groups claiming aspirations of national unity join in the stupid game of identifying their political enemy with the State of Israel itself? Any Opposition that hopes one day to rule — as any self-respecting party must hope — should bear in mind that the seeds of disrespect for government as such which they now sow may grow into an ineradicable jungle that will hamper any form of national discipline when and if the present ruling party is out of power.

Tel Aviv, March 21.

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Nasser Plaint: Hashemites Spurn U.A.R.

Abdul Nasser told a rally attended by several hundred thousand people in Cairo yesterday that the Iraqi-Jordan Federation had been formed to oppose the Egyptian-Syrian Union, Cairo Radio reported.

He said his friendly advances to the Hashemite Federation when it was formed had been met by Iraq with attempts to persuade the U.S. and the Baghdad Pact states not to recognize the United Arab Republic. These attempts failed in the case of the U.S., Turkey, Persia and Pakistan, he said.

The rally marked the completion of the federation of the Red Sea Kingdom of the Yemen with the Egyptian-Syrian Union.

Free Yemen Group

The Old City daily "El Jihad" reported yesterday that the "Society of Free Yemenis" has distributed pamphlets throughout the country asking the people of the Yemen to oppose their country's adherence to the U.A.R.

The two Syrian Deputy Presidents of the U.A.R., Sabri Assali and Akram Hourani, arrived in Cairo yesterday with the Chief of Staff of the Syrian Province, General Afif Bizri.

The Arab News Agency from Aden yesterday quoted "reliable sources" as saying they expected King Saud to abdicate shortly in favour of his brother Mohamed.

The report added that Crown Prince Feisal, who is Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, had been under house arrest since Monday, but it did not say why.

Syrian newspapers and sections of the Lebanese press have reported "executions and arrests" in Saudi Arabia.

On Wednesday, the strongly pro-Nasser "Al Kifah" of Beirut alleged unrest was mounting in Saudi Arabia. "Al Hadara" of Damascus said King Saud and Crown Prince Feisal were no longer on speaking terms, and added that the Interior Minister, Prince Abdullah, had been ordered out of the country.

Khalil Re-elected Sudan Premier

KHARTOUM, Thursday. — Abdullah Khalil, Secretary-General of the Umma Party, which topped the poll in the recent Sudanese elections, was re-elected Premier by the House of Representatives today.

He is expected to form a coalition Cabinet drawn from his pro-Western Umma Party, the People's Democratic Party and the Southern Liberals.

Today's meeting was the first session of Parliament in nine months.

Mohammed Saleh Shangeiti, a widely respected elder statesman, was unanimously elected Speaker.

In the recent first parliamentary elections since Sudan became independent in 1956, Umma gained 68 of the 173 seats in the Lower House. The Pro-Egyptian National Unionists gained 47. *(Reuter, UP)*

Slimmer Budget For Agency Presented

By MOSHE LEVIN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

A lean budget tailored to meet settlement needs in Israel rather than providing fully for cultural needs of the Diaspora was presented to the Zionist General Council in Jerusalem last night by the Jewish Agency Treasurer, Dr. Dov Joseph. Debate on the IL211,531,000 estimates for 1958-59 begins this morning and will be continued on Sunday. The 5717 budget was IL220.7m.

This will be the first year that the Government and Agency budgets will both run from April to March. This was effected by providing an October to April budget this past year. Heretofore, the Agency budgets followed the Hebrew years.

The new draft was built around an IL80m. expenditure for settlement, of which IL40m. is being provided by the Government in the form of a loan.

A big reduction in immigration was foreseen. Another outstanding feature was the allocation of IL41.9m. to repay debts. This represents one-fifth of the entire budget, and is the second largest item.

Cuts of 15 per cent and more were made in the Departments engaged in work in the Diaspora. They will get about IL13m. for their cultural and educational work, or about eight per cent of the budget after deduction of debt repayments. This allocation was seriously contested in the past few days by delegates from overseas, particularly from the U.S. A special meeting of the Agency Executive was called yesterday afternoon to effect changes.

Million Added

It was agreed that, in deference to the demands of the delegates from the Diaspora, another IL1m. would be added by saving IL800,000 through administrative cuts and by shearing another IL 500,000 from elsewhere in the estimates, probably in the Health, Education and Welfare Services.

The realistic budget will not be a popular one with many of the delegates. It is trimmed to meet the prospect of reduced income, mainly from the U.S., and higher costs as a result of the increased cost-of-living.

Dr. Joseph sounded a note of concern when he said, "I hope that the economic recession in the U.S. will pass during the year and that the expected income from the U.S. will at least reach the amount provided for in our budget."

The estimate is $46m., or $11m. less than the previous year. Income from Appeals in other countries is put down at $13m., but to get this sum special fund drives will be arranged, as they are in the U.S.

The budget this year is based on an exchange rate of IL1.800 to the dollar as compared with IL1.500 as heretofore. Dr. Joseph said that this extra 300 pruta on every dollar should add 19 per cent to the budget, since half of the budget is received in foreign currency. But the increased cost-of-living and the increased building index — reflected in higher wages—wipes out the advantage of the higher rate.

The second highest source of revenue is the Govern-

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Goldmann: Future Ties Up to B-G

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Nahum Goldmann yesterday threw into Prime Minister Ben-Gurion's lap the responsibility for effective relations between the Government and the Jewish Agency.

In a seven-point reply to the two-day general debate of the Zionist General Council, Dr. Goldmann said that an attempt was now being made to reorganize the Government-Jewish Agency Coordinating Committee which had never functioned properly, but it would depend primarily on the Prime Minister whether the attempt would be successful.

He blamed the Coalition, the Zionist parties in the Knesset, and a disinterested public for the lack of coordination between the Government and the Agency. On the other central issues brought up during the debate, Dr. Goldmann declared:

- Zionism without immigration and pioneering is "unthinkable and untenable," and this was being accepted more and more in the U.S.
- In reply to a Herut interpolation on the Zionist Organization's role in political matters, that with the founding of the State the Organization had relinquished its responsibility for political policy, but that the Organization and its members had

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New Battle Flares For Medan Town

Fighting for Medan, capital of north Sumatra, which has twice changed hands in a week, was reported yesterday to have flared up anew and the airport was again closed to civil traffic.

The Central Sumatran rebels said three battalions, under Colonel Nagolan, an American-trained officer, had launched a new attack on Medan, which was retaken by Government forces on Tuesday.

Padang Radio also claimed last night that rebels had captured Pematang Siantar, about 50 miles south of Medan. The loyalist garrison had fled, leaving their arms, the radio added.

A rebel spokesman in Singapore said yesterday that about 1,000 Achinese snipers had linked up with Central Sumatran rebels in north Sumatra.

The 20,000-ton Dutch liner Oranje yesterday embarked 370 British, Dutch and American evacuees from Belawan, the port of Medan.

Fascists Demonstrate At London Town Hall

LONDON, Thursday (INA). — "We've got to get rid of the Reds," and "Get rid of the Yids," was shouted by Mosleyites who caused an uproar in St. Pancras (central London) town hall last night. The Mayor, Councillor Redman, ordered the public galleries to be cleared during a debate on a recommendation that the Red Flag should be flown over the town hall on May Day.

Commenting on the disturbance, the London "Evening News" declares today: "Waving this banner (the Red Flag) of violence and bigotry and intolerance in London is as ugly and as unwelcome as to give a chance to Mosleyites to snatch the Union Jack, pretending patriotism. A plague on them all."

British Bank Rate Cut to 6%

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — The British bank rate was cut today from seven to six per cent.

The bank rate—key to the amount of interest charged on borrowed money — was raised from five to seven per cent last September as a drastic measure to halt a slump in sterling because of unfavourable foreign speculation.

Bourguiba Hopes for American, U.K. Aid to Force Out French

TUNIS, Thursday. — President Habib Bourguiba, today called on the Tunisian people to have "patience," and said the U.S. and Britain would help win total evacuation of French forces from Tunisian soil.

Mr. Bourguiba spoke before the Constituent Assembly on the occasion of the second anniversary of Tunisia's independence day. Last week he indicated that in his speech he might say whether Tunisia would withdraw from the Western camp if the U.S. did not "choose" between France and Tunisia.

But he said today that "considering present conditions," he would not deliver the official "State of the Nation" report he had prepared.

This was believed due to the fact that the U.S. and Britain are said to feel his counter-proposals for settling the crisis with France are of such a nature that they may be accepted by the French Government if right-wing parties permit it to do so.

In London the British and U.S. envoys in the Franco-Tunisian dispute, Mr. Harold Beeley and Mr. Robert Murphy, are expected to meet Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd tonight or tomorrow for consultations. They had arrived in London by air from Paris today, and are likely to return to Paris tomorrow to continue their talks there with Premier Gaillard.

In Paris, Conservative parliamentarians decided to postpone a decision about continuing to be represented in the Gaillard Government or withdrawing their Ministers until Tuesday, thus removing the immediate threat of a Cabinet crisis over the British-American "good offices" mission, and the situation in Tunisia.

For the past 48 hours there has been high tension in the political world following reports that the Government was about to accept evacuation by French troops of military airfields in Tunisia. M. Gaillard succeeded in taking the wind out of the sails of the angry Conservatives when he gave the undertaking that tomorrow's Cabinet meeting would consider the Tunisian proposals brought back by the good offices envoys.

Hardening of French informed opinion towards Algeria is a reflection also of a rising tide of nationalist feeling among the general public.

Algerian insurgents have suffered their heaviest losses this week, military sources said in Algiers today. In four days they have lost 845 men — 725 killed and 120 captured — in a series of clashes. *(UP, Reuter)*

Urrutia Due In Jerusalem Next Week

By JESSE ZEL LURIE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS, Thursday. — Dr. Francisco Urrutia is flying to Jerusalem "for a few days" at the end of next week, Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold announced today.

He said that Dr. Urrutia is not going to re-negotiate an agreement on Mt. Scopus, but will simply settle matters of procedure. He admitted that certain difficulties had arisen regarding implementation of the accord reached during the envoy's first visit.

I asked a question about supplies and the removal of books over which differences were reported to have arisen. Mr. Hammarskjold reiterated that Dr. Urrutia will discuss procedures, and that my question was on a different level.

Asked whether the Colombian envoy will visit Baghdad in view of the federation between Iraq and Jordan, Mr. Hammarskjold replied that the federation declaration states that old agreements remain valid, and that Dr. Urrutia, therefore, will deal with Jordan only.

No Armistice Change

He also expressed the view that united armies would not necessitate a change in the armistice agreement as Jordan's forces remain under King Hussein.

He distinguished between the United Arab Republic and the Arab Federated State, implying that Jordan and Iraq will retain two seats in the U.N. General Assembly, unlike Syria and Egypt.

Mr. Hammarskjold said that he would not go to the Middle East because there was no time. An earlier report had it that Mr. Hammarskjold would fly to the Middle East after his forthcoming visit to Moscow. He leaves for the Russian capital tomorrow.

He also said that as far as the U.N. Emergency Force was concerned and the U.N. understanding with Egypt on the Gaza Strip, the proclamation of the U.A.R. had not changed anything.

Manufacturers To Stop Importing

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The President of the Manufacturers Association, Mr. A. Shenkar, has instructed members of the Association to abstain from importing raw industrial materials under present terms. This followed his consultation with the delegation of industrialists that on Wednesday met with the Minister of Finance and requested a freezing of the new measures imposed on imports until a joint committee could investigate their complaints.

As a result of the Minister's refusal to delay the measures, although agreeing to the formation of a joint committee, the industrialists were instructed as from today not to request letters of credit under the new conditions.

MEIR ARRIVES IN LAGOS

LAGOS, Thursday (INA). — Foreign Minister Golda Meir arrived in Lagos today after a 36-hour *tour de force* of Ibadan, capital of Western Nigeria. The Premier of the Region, Chief Obafemi Awolowo, entertained Mrs. Meir to lunch and later chaired a capacity meeting at which she spoke on Israel's position in the world and on her economic and social development.

The Premier announced he had accepted an invitation from Mr. Ben-Gurion to visit Israel this summer. He said that Western Nigeria needed technical advice and assistance from a nation such as Israel whose sympathy was trusted.

24 Die In N.Y. Textile Works Blaze

NEW YORK, Thursday (Reuter). — Twenty-four persons died in a blaze in a building in New York's financial section last night, the Fire Department reported.

A spokesman said the outbreak was apparently caused by an explosion in a processing oven in a third floor textile works.

The unveiling of the tombstone over the grave of

Haya Kurman ז"ל

will take place at the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery, Tel Aviv, on Sunday, March 23, 1958, at 4.30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend. Buses will leave at 4 p.m. from 9 Rehov Gordon, Tel Aviv.

GEN. VON HORN

New UNTSO Chief Arrives in Jerusalem

Major-General Carl Carlsson von Horn of Sweden, the new Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, arrived at Government House, Jerusalem, at noon yesterday to take up his post.

He arrived via the Old City from Beirut, U.N. sources said.

Gen. von Horn succeeds Gen. E. L. M. Burns, of Canada, who has commanded UNEF since November 1956.

Gen. von Horn, who is 54, has held a number of responsible administrative appointments during the course of his military career extending over 37 years. He was military director of the Swedish Railways from 1942 to 1945 and served as Executive Assistant to Count Folke Bernadotte on the repatriation of prisoners of war from 1945 to 1945.

Since 1956 the post of UNTSO Chief of Staff has been filled on an acting basis by Col. Byron Leary of the U.S. Marines Corps, who is Assistant Chief of Staff.

Jordanian Said Killed In Border Clash

AMMAN, Thursday. — A Jordan Government spokesman said today that a Jordan farmer ploughing his land had been killed by an Israel patrol which crossed the demarcation line near Jibara village, in the Tulkarm area. Jordan has lodged a complaint with the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission.

In Damascus, a Syrian military spokesman charged that Israel troops opened automatic fire today on Syrian shepherds in the northern sector of the Israel-Syrian demilitarised zone near Dan settlement.

The Arabs returned the fire in a three minute engagement. There were no Syrian casualties.

(It was learned in Jerusalem last night that the Tulkarm incident was a local one involving Israel and Jordan villagers along the border. No further details were available.

(The incident on the northern border occurred when a group of Syrians penetrated into Israel village lands to graze their flocks, it was learned. When Israel settlers went to chase them off the Arabs opened fire.)

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'Summit' Only If Success Likely

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Harold Macmillan said today he "urgently" wanted summit talks, but in circumstances which would give good hope of some result. He was answering questions in the Commons.

The Labour opposition leader, Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, said people were getting tired of the exchange of letters putting forward proposals which the other side could not possibly accept. He asked whether there was no prospect of summit talks unless the Russians first agreed to the precise form of talks between the Foreign Ministers.

Defence Meeting

Mr. Macmillan, in reply, added: "I would be very unhappy if we were to have summit talks in conditions which made it almost certain that they would be merely a debate and that we would come away with nothing done."

Diplomatic observers said today that plans for holding an Atlantic Pact Defence Ministers' meeting in Paris next month are certain to go ahead, despite Marshal Bulganin's attack on the meeting in a letter published yesterday.

In Washington, the State Department said today it was not ready to consider "the time, place, and composition," of either a Foreign Ministers meeting or summit conference with the Soviet Union until the Kremlin replies to a March 6 U.S. *aide-memoire.*

USSR Sends Note on Union

BONN, Thursday (UP). — Chancellor Konrad Adenauer bluntly declared today that NATO would collapse unless the new German Army accepted atomic arms.

He told a restive Bundestag that if West Germany refused to equip her forces with nuclear weapons, then the Atlantic alliance would become "meaningless and purposeless."

The statement was regarded as a pledge that West Germany will equip the 130,000-man Bundeswehr with atomic arms.

Dr. Adenauer told the opening session of a two-day foreign affairs debate that the Government had reached this decision after "very, very careful" study. There were murmurs of dissatisfaction and alarm from the opposition benches.

He said the West's potential enemy—the Soviet Union—had already equipped its forces with atomic weapons, and that it would be folly for members of the Western alliance to deny themselves the same arms.

NATO or Not

He added that the question which the German nation had to decide was — "Shall we stay in NATO or not?"

He said it was clear that neither of atomic powers—the U.S. and Britain — was planning an aggressive war; but the Soviet Union had displayed "aggressive tendencies" as shown by its refusal to continue discussions in the U.N. Disarmament Sub-Committee.

Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano, who followed Dr. Adenauer in the debate, said the Government would not put forward any plans for an atom-free zone in Europe. He said most of the plans already submitted had not been properly thought out.

It was impossible, he added, for other members of NATO possessing atomic arms to guarantee the security of the Federal Republic if it were stripped of atomic weapons.

Peace Treaty

In Moscow, TASS today released the text of a Soviet aide memoire handed to the German Ambassador last night, in which the Soviet Union offered to discuss a German peace treaty at a summit conference without insisting that West Germany recognize the East German Government.

But the offer was accompanied by continued insistence that reunification of Germany was the business of the two German governments and could not be included in the agenda of top-level talks.

It said that the Soviets still believe that East German proposals for a confederation of the two countries offer "the most realistic possibilities," but that it "has no intention of thrusting on anybody such or other prescriptions for the solution of the German question."

The Soviet proposal stressed that the Russians would "accept as binding that solution about the proper representation at the signing of the peace treaty which would be worked out in consequence of an agreement between both German states."

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Social & Personal

Sir Lewis and Lady Namier yesterday visited the Hebrew University.

Prof. S.H. Frankel, of Nuffield College, Oxford, and Mrs. Frankel, and Dr. M. Ezekiel, Chief of the F.A.O. Economics Department, were the luncheon guests of the University.

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Mr. and Mrs. Neville Blond and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sieff yesterday visited Rebecca Sieff Wizo Women's centres now under construction at Bin Hatchalet, near Natanya, and at Migdal Ashkelon, and the Mathilda Marks-Kennedy Wizo centre at Kiryat Gat.

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Mr. Andrea Schiapira, an Italian industrialist, and Mr. de Beneditti, a barrister, have accepted an invitation to tour development projects in Israel with the European Bond Delegation, currently on an eight-day visit in the country.

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The Chief of the Military Government Staff, Aluf Mishne M. Shaham, the Military Governor of Galilee, Sgan-Aluf Y. Verbin, and the Nazareth Military Governor, Rav-Seren Arye Kats, yesterday visited a Tenth Anniversary exhibition by pupils of the Ikrat village school.

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Mr. Butrus Najeeb Daily, a student in the Hebrew University's School of Education, has been awarded the Judah L. Magnes Scholarship for 1957-58.

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An evening of literature and art to mark the 70th birthday of the poet Zalman Schneour will be held tonight at 8.30 at Beit Haezrah, Ramat Gan, with the participation of the poet himself; Prof. Y. Klausner; Mr. A. Krinitzi, Mayor of Ramat Gan; Dr. E. Rimalt, M.K., and artists of Habimah.

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Dr. Bernhard Zondek, Professor of Gynaecology and Obstetrics at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, is to deliver the Ayerst Lecture at the Los Angeles meeting of the American Society for the Study of Sterility on April 17. Prof. Zondek will then proceed to Holland to represent Israel at the 150th anniversary of the Netherlands Royal Academy of Science.

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MEMORIAL MEETINGS

A memorial service for the victims of the Mount Scopus convoy disaster, which took place 10 years ago, will be held under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University and the Hadassah Medical Organization on Tuesday, March 25, at 12 noon, in the Yeshurun Synagogue, Jerusalem.

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A memorial meeting for the late Prof. E. J. Bonaventura, Dr. A. H. Freimann and Dr. B. Klar, who lost their lives in the Mount Scopus convoy disaster 10 years ago, will take place on Tuesday, March 25, at 4 p.m., in the Abraham Mazer Building on the Hebrew University campus. Tributes will be paid by Prof. E. Urbach, Prof. G. Tedeschi and Dr. A. Mirsky. Special buses will leave from Terra Sancta at 5:30 p.m.

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EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Zorn wish to thank their relatives and friends for the good wishes received on the birth of their daughter, Ronith Veronica.

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The Copacabana Orchestra is holding a dance, under their own auspices, on the premises of the Greek Club, Jerusalem, tomorrow evening, March 22, and not as previously announced. *(Advt.)*

MAPAI FIRST IN TEACHERS' VOTING

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Mapai retained first place in the Teachers National Union following yesterday's elections to the Union's convention to be held over Passover. Some 11,357 out of 15,865 eligible members voted. Two hundred and eighty-nine votes were invalidated by the elections committee.

The elections took place throughout the country between 7.00 a.m. and 10.00 p.m. yesterday and the counting ended on'y at 5 o'clock this morning at the Histadrut Executive.

The present National Union secretary, Mr. S. Levin, retains his post.

The results and previous party strength are as follows:

Mapai Teachers, 3,479 (31.4 per cent) — (30.6); Mapai Kindergarten teachers, 503 (4.5 per cent) — (5.9); Veteran teachers (Mapai tie-up), 949 (2.2 per cent); Four Arab lists (Arab Mapai tie-up), 574 (5.1 per cent) — (3.7); Religious lists, 2,221 (20.1 per cent) — (18.3); Independents (Herut-General Zionists) 570 (5.2 per cent) — (5.9); Mapam, 1,474 (13.3 per cent) — (12.8); Progressives, 621 (5.6 per cent) — (5.0); Ihoved Hadati, 129 (1.2 per cent) — (1.9); Ahdut Ha'avoda, 1,248 (11.3 per cent) — (9.5).

The Communists, who received 2.5 per cent in the previous elections were invalidated this time. It is also noteworthy that over 97 per cent of the 1,000 Arab teachers eligible to vote participated in the balloting and returned 10 of the convention's 200 delegates.

IL5M. BUDGET FOR CULTURE CENTRE

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The Histadrut Cultural Centre yesterday approved its 1958 budget for expenditure totalling almost IL3m. Last year the centre spent IL1.7m. Most of the money is devoted to activities in the development areas. The coming year includes such special items as the Dalia Folk Dance Festival.

Rothschild Visits Grandfather's Tomb

By CHARLES WEISS

ZICHRON YA'ACOV, Thursday. — Several hundred children from Tel Aviv and Haifa schools today made a pilgrimage to the grave of the "Father of the Yishuv," the late Baron Edmond de Rothschild, and had a glimpse of the "Son of the Yishuv," the present Baron Edmond de Rothschild. The children's shouts were silenced when they saw the shy young man in a dark suit, black homburg and black tie, who was pointed out to them as the grandson of the man whose grave they had come to see. Lined up along the flower-bordered lanes of the magnificent park around the mausoleum, they were put through their catechism of the Baron's contributions to the building up of the country.

It was a light note in a solemn morning. Earlier the Baron had left the European Bond Delegation with which he is travelling to come down here alone to visit the grave of his illustrious forebear.

Kaddish Recited

On the arrival of the rest of the Bond group, the President of the Consistoire Centrale de France, M. Georges Wormser, himself the son of the Baron's overseer in Palestine, recited Kaddish at the site of the black marble tomb.

In the afternoon, the Bond Delegation travelled on to the Fertilizers & Chemicals Corporation in Haifa Bay and to Acre. In the evening they were guests at a cocktail party given at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Yaakov Solomon and attended by Haifa Mayor Abba Khoushy.

Last night the European Bond Delegation were briefed on security matters by the Chief of Staff, Haim Laskov, and senior naval and airforce officers.

Persian M.P.'s And Journalists Here

Two members of the Majlis and two other prominent Persians arrived yesterday for a tour of Israel as guests of the Government.

The parliamentarians are Mr. Muhammed Ali Massaudi, owner of the "Teheran Post" and chairman of the Persian Journalists Association, and Mr. Amudi Nuri, owner and editor of the daily newspaper "Dar."

The other two visitors are Mr. Ahmed Hussein Adel, a former Minister of Agriculture and a top-ranking farming expert, who is accompanied by his wife; and Mr. Said Hashem Haissari, editor of "Toio" daily and acting chairman of the Journalists Association.

Rabbinate Ordered to Hear Annulment Plea

The High Court yesterday instructed the Haifa Rabbinate to hear a plea for the annulment of a civil marriage entered into in Poland between a Christian woman and a Jew both now living in Israel. The President of the Court Justice Olshan, granted the request of the woman, Mrs. Sophia Maria Blifeder.

Mr. and Mrs. Shlomo Blifeder separated after emigrating to Israel four years ago, and both have agreed to an annulment. *(Itim)*

Bar-Yehuda Promises Speedier National and Local Elections

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

A bill is now being drafted which will provide that the register of persons eligible to vote in Knesset elections be brought up to date every year, the Minister of Interior told the Knesset yesterday, introducing his Ministry's budget.

The voters' register would go into effect on a specific date and would be valid for an election held in the course of the year. Under the new time-table, elections could be held 60 days after the Knesset's dissolution, instead of the 182-day minimum now required.

Mr. Bar-Yehuda said a plan had been drafted to replace the municipal general rate (arnona) on dwelling rooms by a progressive income tax. This plan would be brought before the local authorities in May. If they approve it then a scheme which would substitute income tax for one third of the arnona might be instituted even this year.

The Minister said that a special committee in the Ministry was now studying the possibility of streamlining municipal elections as well. The chief aim here would be to reduce as much as possible the period required for preparing the elections.

Another bill, now before a ministerial committee, would stipulate the conditions under which municipal council meetings had legally been called and adjourned.

New Identity Cards

The distribution of new identity cards would be begun next month, Mr. Bar-Yehuda announced. The new cards will be more durable and would be difficult to alter.

To begin with, the new cards will be distributed only to persons who do not possess any card or who voluntarily apply for a new one. Before the elections to the Fourth Knesset, in the autumn of 1959, all the old cards should be replaced.

The Minister said that it has been agreed in principle between the Treasury and the Local Government Centre that the second half of the municipal bond issue will soon be floated in the form of a compulsory loan on new buildings. The amount would be greater than IL7.5m. and perhaps under somewhat better terms than the 1956 issue.

50,000 Foreigners

Last year, some 3,200 new immigrants opted out of Israeli citizenship. Since the Citizenship Law was adopted in 1952, 29,400 opting-out declarations have been signed, covering about 40,000 persons. It is estimated that of the 1,980,000 residents of Israel, there are about 50,000 who are either foreign nationals or whose citizenship is not clear.

The population is expected to reach the two million mark at the end of May.

Referring to the new regulations issued by his Ministry regarding the registration of inhabitants, Mr. Bar-Yehuda said that the Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, Dr. Z. Warhaftig, had in the Knesset, on March 12, "permitted himself something which has no precedent in parliamentary practice either here or abroad. In the course of a speech in the name of the Government on the budget of his Ministry, he allowed himself polemical remarks against the regulations of another Ministry."

More extensive Government help to the municipalities was called for by Mr. J. Shofman (Herut). He pointed out that while Tel Aviv contributed a substantial portion of taxes to the Government, it received relatively little Government help.

Mr. I. Rokach (General Zionist) said that any municipal income tax scheme should be made an organic part of the State income tax framework. He suggested also that State and municipal election dates be separated with local authorities to be voted for in July, 1959, and Knesset elections to be held three months later.

Mr. A. Grinberg (National Religious) complained that the religious councils did not always get the proper cooperation from the Government and the local authorities. He said also that the Ministry's stand on the question of verifying religion for purposes of an identity card was indirectly aimed at recognizing civil marriage and divorce.

LOCAL EXAM. NOW FOR IMMIGRANT DENTISTS

The Knesset last night passed the Amendment to the Dentists' Ordinance, which permits immigrants who worked as "dental practitioners" abroad, but who do not meet Israel academic standards, to sit for examinations for a licence. The vote cut across party lines.

The Minister of Health, Mr. I. Barzilai, said that although the result of the Bill's passage would be detrimental to the profession, it should be supported. This was not the only case where our health standards have suffered as a result of immigration, he noted.

Religious Councils

The Amendment to the Law on the Budgets of Jewish Religious Services passed its second and third readings yesterday. It extends for two years the term of office of religious councils.

There was no opposition, but no members of Mapam or the Progressive Party were present. The lone Ahdut Ha'avoda member in the House, Mr. M. Erem, abstained.

The two bills introduced in the Knesset by the Minister of Finance on Wednesday night passed their first reading yesterday. One of the bills extends foreign currency regulations to persons going abroad to collect restitution funds or legacies, and the other extends the Defence Bill for an additional two years. No members applied to speak on the bills.

TANK.—Two men of an Italian tank crew were killed on Wednesday and three injured when a tank overturned and burst into flames after breaking a track 25 kms. north of Rome.

Sharp Retort By Aranne to Deputy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Minister of Culture and Education, Mr. Zalman Aranne, said in the Knesset yesterday that if it were up to him he would abolish free kindergartens for five-year-olds in general and use the money to provide an extra year free at kindergartens, beginning at the age of four, for children in new immigrant settlements.

Mr. Aranne was replying to the debate on his Ministry's budget, which later passed its second reading.

Merely to propose an additional year of free kindergarten without suggesting a source for the money (as some Members had done) was of no value. There was no end to the wonderful ideas that could be put forward to improve our educational system.

The Minister retorted sharply to the speech of the Deputy Minister, Mr. Moshe Unna (National Religious) who, he said, had spoken as if it were the policy of the Ministry to discriminate against the State Religious schools.

Did Mr. Unna really believe that "most of the nation" would end their children to the Religious schools "if they had a free choice?" On what was this assertion based?

"Shaken" by Remarks

Mr. Aranne said he had been "shaken" by the remarks of Rabbi Itzhak Meir Levin (Agudat Yisrael) who had spoken as if there were only three choices for young people not brought up in the religious way of life: Canaanism, Communism, or delinquency.

Nor did the Minister spare sharp words in commenting on the attack made on the country's secondary schools by a Member of his own party, Mr. Izhar Smilanski (Mapai).

"I was shocked by his speech. It is not true and it is not just and I doubt whether it shows a sense of educational responsibility." To speak of the secondary schools as if they were an empty vessel was to insult the devoted teachers and to ignore the achievement of the graduates in all walks of life.

Speaking in the debate on Wednesday night, Mr. Aml Assaf (Mapai), Deputy Minister of Education, pointed out that only about one-fifth of the teachers in new development areas live in the towns or villages where they teach. They gave all sorts of reasons for this. But to the extent that lack of suitable housing was the reason, this obstacle must be removed.

Miss Rahel Zabari (Mapai) called for "real equality" as opposed to "formal equality" for children of Oriental origin. She urged free kindergartens beginning at the age of three in all depressed areas in cities and in new immigrant settlements.

DUEG CALLS M.K. AS WITNESS

Moshe Dueg, who is standing trial in the Jerusalem District Court on a charge of throwing a hand grenade in the Knesset on October 29, yesterday named as defence witness Mr. Yitzhak Raphael, M.K., who was speaking in the Knesset when the grenade was thrown.

Dueg, who is conducting his own defence, obstinately refused to explain to the Court his point in calling Mr. Raphael, and after a lengthy debate the Court acceded to his request.

"You should first clarify with your witnesses whether they are able to tell of anything in support of your defence," Judge Henry Baker told Dueg. He said this after Dueg had called a police officer who had visited him in his cell a few days after his arrest. Dueg had sought to show that he was in an unconscious state "for a period which I don't know how to define." The officer, questioned by Dueg, said that he had not been aware of that, and had even spoken a few words with Dueg.

The Court also agreed to Dueg's request that he see four Government psychiatrists who had examined him earlier, so as to determine whether he would call them as defence witnesses.

The hearing continues today. *(Itim)*

Cream of Game In Capital Tomorrow

By KEITH BEECHER

National League leaders, Tel Aviv Maccabi, are at home entertaining neighbours, Jaffa Maccabi, and in their fixture tomorrow, should collect both points and retain their top spot. Second-placed Haifa Maccabi are at home too, against Ramat Gan Hapoel, who lie fourth in the table. The game may resolve into a battle between the goal-hungry "home" forwards and the visitors' defence, and the result depend on the day's form.

The Capital gets the cream game of the card this week with the visit of Petah Tikva Hapoel to their Jerusalem club-mates. Only goal average put the Petah Tikva men into third spot below their Haifa rivals, last week and the local fans are in for a treat of a match, with the Jerusalem side on its toes against their class opponents.

Bottom-placed Tel Aviv Betar visit Natanya Maccabi and might pull off yet another draw this week, if not better. It is an all-Hapoel game at Tel Aviv, when the local club acts as hosts to its mates from Haifa, and, on current form, the odds are with the visitors getting one or two points from their trip.

FIXTURES: National League: J'lem Hap. vs. Petah T. Hapoel; Petah T. Mac. vs. K. Shalom; Natanya Mac. vs. T.A. Betar; Haifa Mac. vs. Ramat Gan Hap.; T.A. Hap. vs. Haifa Hap.; T.A. Mac. vs. Jaffa Mac. League A: Hadera Hap. vs. Kiryat Haim Hap.; T.A. Shimshon vs. Sha'arayim Mac.; Rehovot Hap. vs. Afula Hap.; T.A. Hapoel Yehuda vs. J'lem Betar; M. Yehuda Hap. vs. Hadera Mac.; Rehovot Mac. vs. T.A. Hakoah.

Injured Hitch-Hiker Gets IL2,500 Damages

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — As a result of offering a hitchhiker a lift, Mrs. Hana Chazani, wife of the M.K., was yesterday ordered to pay the hitchhiker damages of IL2,500 for injuries sustained while travelling in her car. Mrs. Chazani admitted responsibility and the damages were ordered by District Court Judge I. Shiloh after a compromise settlement between the sides.

Mrs. Chazani, a teacher in Kfar Avraham, had offered Miss Shima Mahazri, of Rosh Ha'ayin, a lift when she saw the latter waiting for a bus at Kfar Avraham. A short while later the car was involved in an accident and skidded into the roadside ditch. Miss Mahazri was taken to hospital with concussion and a fracture. She had originally claimed IL6,845.

(Drivers are not covered by annual third-party insurance for accidents to hitchhikers, or indeed any passenger, unless the vehicle is especially licensed to carry passengers.)

Where to go

• **Meet the Israelis:**—
Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

TODAY

JERUSALEM

• **Zoo:**—
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8.30-3. Tomorrow 10-5.

• **Exhibitions:**—
1) Permanent Exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. 2) Ancient Pottery from various civilisations from the museum's collections. 3) A preview of Primitive Sculpture. 4) Contemporary English graphics. 5) "Who Was Rembrandt?" Bezalel, 9-1. Tomorrow 10-1.

Permanent Exhibition of Antiquities, Recent finds: marble statue of Nemesis. Department of Antiquities 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1. Tomorrow 10-1.

Paintings by Jerusalem Artists, Artists House, 10-1. Tomorrow 10-1.

• **Tours:**—
Hebrew University Conducted Tour (in English), daily 10 a.m. Administration Bldg., New University Campus. Every Tuesday leaving Administration Bldg. 11 a.m. a visit to Hebrew University Hadassah Medical School in New Medical Centre, Ein Karem. Phone (until Monday) 62980 for bookings.

Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

• **Meet the Jerusalem Artists:**—
Artists House, near King David Hotel, 9 p.m. refreshment vouchers available at Government Tourist Office and leading hotels for tourists and members only.

• **Music:**—
Music Programme with background of scenic pictures Rimsky-Korsakov: Scheherazade; Smetana: The Moldau. Y.M.C.A., at 8.30 p.m. Public welcome.

TEL AVIV

• **Entertainment:**—
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• **Exhibitions:**—
Tchanan Simira. Oils and Gouaches; Paintings by Yehiel Krise; Bat Yosef (Miriam Heilerman), Paintings and Watercolours; Feroe (Iceland) — Paintings and Drawings; Children's Art in the Kibbutz, Museum: 10-1. Tomorrow, 10-1. (Entrance by tickets only).

Paintings by Alberto Dubois, of Peru. Tchernichowsky House, 6 Rehov Hakirya. Open daily, 10-1, 4-8.

Works by Yves Dendal: Oils, Art Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1. Tomorrow, 10.30-1.30.

• **Z.O.A. House:**—
Tourist Service (9-1).

• **Circus:**—
Medrano, Malchei Yisrael, 3 p.m.

• **Theatre:**—
Ohel, "Adventures of Hershele of Ostropol." Special performances at 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

HAIFA

• **Tourist Service:**—
Visit Hadassah Club, 17 Jerusalem Street, Tel. 4676.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM

• **Exhibition:**—
Oils, water colours, drawings by Ludwig Jonas (1887-1942). Opening 11.30, Nora Art Gallery, 9 Malmon Avenue, Jerusalem.

• **Music:**—
Saturday Music Hour with organ and following records: Liszt: Concerto for Piano No. 1 in E-flat; Bach: Eight Little Preludes and Fugues. Y.M.C.A., at 10.30 a.m. Public welcome.

• **Lectures:**—
"Problems of the Arab Minority in Israel," M.K.s Jousif Khamis and Mas'ad Kassis, Journalists Club, 9 p.m.

TEL AVIV

• **Z.O.A. House:**—
Film Presentation "Marian Anderson" (8 and 9.30).

• **Exhibitions:**—
Oil paintings by Shifra Alon. Opening at 11 a.m., Kata Art Gallery, 97 Rehov Dizengoff. Daily until April 4.

• **Circus:**—
Medrano, Malchei Yisrael, two performances, 6.15, 9.30.

• **Theatre:**—
Habimah, "The Egg," 6.30.
"Visions of Simone Machard," 9.30.
Camerl, "Martua." New Hall, 8.
Ohel, "Eldorado," 8.

• **Concerts:**—
Daleth Klei Shir — flute-trios by Bach, Weber, Pierne, Haydn; Flute-quartet by M. Salcomn, Museum, 8.30 p.m.

HAIFA

• **Exhibitions:**—
Wood-cut prints in water-colour of Chinese Painter Chi Pai-shi, (1860-1957) 10-1. (Weekdays 10-12, 4-8.30, except Monday and Friday). Ethnological Museum, 19 Rehov Arlosoroff.

Works by Jacob Steinhardt and Emma Reyes (Colombian Artist). Fortnightly exhibit: Sculpture by Chana Orloff, Municipal Museum, Town Hall, 10-1, 4-7. Conducted tour at 11.30 a.m.

Paintings by Esther Barly-Yoel and Yona Zaliouk, Painters and Sculptors Association, 24 U.N.O. Ave., 10-1, 5-8. Closing March 25 at 8 p.m.

JAFFA

• **Concerts:**—
Scarlatti: Stabat Mater; Handel: Israel in Egypt. St. Peter Church (near the Clock Tower), 4 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

HABIMAH

March 22 — "The Egg," 6.30; "Visions of Simone Machard," 9.30. Tel Aviv.
March 23 — "Visions of Simone Machard," Tel Aviv, 8. "The Egg," Hadar Hall, Givatayim, 8.
March 24 — "Visions of Simone Machard," Tel Aviv, 8. "The Egg," Hadar Hall, Givatayim, 8.
March 25 — "The Egg," Tel Aviv, 8. "Visions of Simone Machard," Tiveon, 8.
March 26 — "Throw Him To The Dogs," Tel Aviv, 8. "Visions of Simone Machard," Kiryat Haim, 8. "The Egg," Holon, 8.
March 27 — "Throw Him To The Dogs," Tel Aviv, 8; "The Egg," Petah Tikva, 8; "Visions of Simone Machard," Natanya, 8.

MEETING

Public meeting, film: arranged by the Israel Association for the Rehabilitation of Backward Children. Subject: The Problem of the Mentally Retarded Child. Beit Hillel, Jerusalem, Tuesday, March 25, 8 p.m.

YMCA, Jerusalem
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Sunday, March 23
at 6.30 p.m.
Speaker:
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TOMORROW

JERUSALEM: Meir, 46 Jaffa Rd., 4192. Vitan, 30 Meah Shearim, 61243.

TEL AVIV: (Day): Altman, 1 King George, 3791. Beidner, 51 Ahad Ha'am, 3851. Volkowisky, 36 Herzl, 84857. Taffe, 172 Ben Yehuda, 24543. Elva, Hatikva Qtr., 67403. JAFFA: Versano, Rehov 340. TEL AVIV: (Night): Magen David, 35 Allenby, 65420. Moscowitz, 95 King George, 63650. Brecha, 343 Dizengoff, 25440. Reichhalt, 19 Nahlat Binyamin. Elva, Hatikva Qtr., 67403. JAFFA, As above. RAMAT GAN: Finci, 204 Harav Kook, 72821. PETAH TIKVA: Kuvo, 2 Pinsker. REHOVOT: Dr. Lewinsky, as above. HOLON: Ribak, Kikar Sirkana. NATANYA: Assuta.
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EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

TONIGHT

JERUSALEM: Dr. Horn, 20 King George, 2746. Dr. Heim, 27 Emek Refaim, 3730.

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TOMORROW

JERUSALEM: Dr. Grusenwald, 22 Bin-Nun, 62963. Dr. Shor, 45 Rashi.

TEL AVIV: Dr. Shaham, 1 Syrkin, 25942.

Religious Services

Sabbath begins in Jerusalem at 5.13 p.m. tonight and ends at 6.27 p.m. tomorrow

JERUSALEM

Yeshurun Synagogue: Tonight: Minha, 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m.; Minha, 5 p.m.; Arvit, 6.30 p.m.

Emet V'Emuna (Gan Rehavia): 5.45 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m.

Hatlas Synagogue (20 Ist St.): Tonight: 5.35 p.m.

TEL AVIV

Beit Israel (96 Rehov Dizengoff) — Tonight: 5.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Ohel Shivat Zion (67 Rehov Ben Yehuda) — Tonight: 5.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6.15 a.m. and 8.30 a.m.; Minha, 5.50 p.m.

Beit Hamoez (5 Rehov Nathan Straus) — Tonight: 5.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8 a.m. Minha, 5.40 p.m.

"Tiferet Tel" (9 Herman Cohen St.): — Tonight: 5.45 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m. Cantor I. Glass and Choir.

HAIFA

Mavlah Congregation (15 Rehov Kiryat Sefer, Ahuza)— Shahrit, 10 a.m.

RAMAT GAN

Hathia Synagogue: Tonight: 5.50 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m.; Minha, 5.40 p.m.; Arvit, 6.22 p.m.

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Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Warm and dry at first. Slight decrease in temperature with advent of sea breeze.
Outlook for Shabbath: Fair to partly cloudy.
Weather Synopsis: Warm and dry air is entering this region from the South.

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	25	14	26	26
Tiberias	29	16	30	32
Haifa Port	21	13	29	30
Natanya	47	11	26	26
Tel Aviv Kiryat	43	30	26	26
Tel Aviv Port	69	11	22	23
Lydda Airport	33	5	29	30
Jerusalem	13	13	26	27
Beersheba	6	11	22	23
Sdom	24	15	31	32
Elat	9	14	35	36

*A) Humidity at 9 p.m. B) Minimum temp. yesterday. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Mayor Abba Khoushy of Haifa, from a 10-day visit to Europe for the Development Bond Drive, (by Air France).

Mr. and Mrs. David H. Sulzberger, of New York, for a 10-day stay.

TOURISTS and Israelis can buy diamond jewellery, cameras, Swiss watches, French perfumes, tax free at the DUTY FREE SHOP, Lydda Airport, before boarding plane. (Advt.)

A REGIONAL Civil Defence Control Centre was opened yesterday in Acre and an exercise was held in the town. The Centre is named in memory of Aharon Shapiro, a senior Haga officer who died last year.

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MAPAI IMPROVED its position on the Railway Workers Committee when it won 40 out of the 45 seats on the committee in yesterday's elections. Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam share the other five seats.

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THE BUILDING department of Hakibbutz Ha'artzi was recently fined IL70 in the Haifa Magistrate's Court for buying explosives without a permit and for keeping them in a store not meeting with regulation requirements.

YELLOW LOCUSTS OVER EILAT AREA

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT, Thursday. — Clouds of yellow locusts hovered overhead at noon today. The first swarm arrived from the Gulf of Eilat yesterday afternoon and settled for a short while on the Hakabats Hameuhad's fields closer to the border. They then made northwards for the fields of Be'er Ora and Yotvata where they were dispersed by settlers beating tins.

This morning, a large swarm covered the road near Timna. Spray planes were ordered into action by the Plant Protection Department. The locusts then came here without setting but were driven seawards by the wind.

Yellow locusts do not themselves cause damage, but lay eggs which destroy crops when hatched.

Two Fined For Death In Holiday Camp

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Thursday. — Two instructors at a Betar children's summer camp were today found guilty of unintentionally causing the death of one of their charges last year, and each fined IL105 by Magistrate E. Slotzki. They were Shalom Levi, 25, of Ramat Raziel, who was in charge of the camp, and Esther Hamu, 20, of Kiryat Gat. The camp, for 10-14 year-olds, was near Or Akiva.

The boy with whose death they were charged was 11-year-old Gavriel Aharonov, of Tel Aviv, who was fatally injured by a stray bullet during rifle practice at the camp, for which no shooting licence had been issued.

DOCTORS' SALARIES COMMITTEE MEETS

The first session of the special committee appointed by the Prime Minister to investigate physicians' salary claims was held yesterday under the chairmanship of the Minister of Labour, Mr. Mordechai Namir.

The committee heard introductory remarks by representatives of the physicians and of the medical institutions and chose a subcommittee to prepare statistical and other data for its consideration at forthcoming meetings.

Plans Being Drawn Up To Nationalize Bus Co-ops

By MARK SEGAL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Definite proposals to break the monopolization of bus transport by the bus cooperatives, have been crystallized in the Ministry of Transport and in Hevrat Haovdim, the Histadrut holding company, it is learned here.

The "last straw" in the cooperatives' relations with the two bodies is, according to responsible quarters here, the cooperatives' complete disregard of the public interest in managing their financial affairs, as exemplified in the recent raising by Egged of its members' salaries by IL50-IL100 a month in defiance of both Government and Histadrut.

The proposal favoured by the Ministry of Transport calls for the nationalizing of interurban public transport and its integration with the railway system. It is hoped thereby to achieve overall planning of the country's public transport system, eliminating duplication and irresponsible management, and reducing costs.

The Ministry proposal is not explicit concerning compensation for the cooperatives' members but one possibility is the offer of guaranteed debentures to members.

The Histadrut's proposal is less far-reaching and would allow competing bus companies in the Negev, Galilee or Sharon regions. It is hoped that such competition would suffice to compel the cooperatives to lower their fares. Obtaining vehicles for such competing lines is not considered to be an obstacle as the Government has been supplying the cooperatives with their new buses for some time.

Tel Aviv 'Given' Yarkon Bridge

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The new Yarkon bridge, carrying the Tel Aviv - Natanya highway, was today ceremonially presented by the Government to this city.

To mark the official inauguration of the 55-metre span, holding a four-lane arterial road bordered by pavements on each side, invited guests planted flowers in beds in the middle of the bridge (which has been in use since February 28).

With the Tel Aviv Municipal Youth Band striking up a march, the Minister of Labour, the Mayor, the U.S. Ambassador, and Mr. Ross Gridley, chief of the Industry, Mining and Transportation Division of U.S.O.M. took their places on the bridge before a crowd of some 400 persons.

Mr. Namir, in thanking U.S.O.M. for its contributions, said that the bridge was one of friendship between the U.S. and Israel.

U.S. Ambassador Edward R. Lawson said the Yarkon bridge was a much needed and vital connection in Israel's system of communications, both from a national viewpoint and that of Tel Aviv as a community. "We of the U.S. have worked closely and happily with you towards its realization," he said.

Mayor Haim Levanon thanked the Government for the bridge which he regarded as a present for the 10th anniversary year and the jubilee of Tel Aviv. He promised that the Yarkon River would be cleaned and prepared as a beauty site. He also envisaged a second Yarkon bridge as a continuation of the Ibn Gabirol Road.

The speeches ended, Mr. Ross Gridley unveiled a plaque on the bridge which referred to cooperation of the Israel and American Governments in its building.

WORK BEGUN ON DIMONA LINE

BEERSHEBA, Thursday. — The foundations of the first bridge of the Beersheba-Dimona railway line were ceremonially concreted today. The Minister of Transport, Mr. Moshe Carmel, the Director of Israel Railways, Mr. M. Savidor, and Mayor David Tuvyahu were among those present at the ceremony.

The 90-metre bridge, which will be the largest on the country's railway lines, passes over Nahal Sheva, two-and-a-half kms. south of here.

Shamir Novel To Be Published in U.K.

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — The Israel Ambassador and Mrs. Elath will be the guests of honour at a reception here to mark the publication of the historical novel, "The King of Flesh and Blood," by the Israel writer, Moshe Shamir.

This first English version of a novel to come out of Israel is by David Patterson, lecturer in post-Biblical Hebrew at Oxford and formerly of Kfar Hanassi.

Cinemas Warn Of Further Strike

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A decision calling for a nation-wide cinema strike if tax reductions on cinema tickets are not forthcoming within a month was adopted today at a meeting of the country's cinema owners.

No performances were held today to back their demands.

B-G Denies Pact With Goldmann

No agreement of any kind stipulating that the World Zionist Organization shall not engage in political activity has been entered into by the Prime Minister and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, a statement published yesterday by the Prime Minister's Office said.

No agreements are made by the Prime Minister without prior discussion and decision in the Cabinet, the statement pointed out, and there has been no discussion in the Cabinet on the question of whether the Zionist Organization should engage in political activity.

Press reports to this effect (not in *The Jerusalem Post*) are believed to be the result of misinterpretation of Dr. Goldmann's address to the Zionist General Council.

In his address to the Council on Tuesday, Dr. Goldmann, referring to the issue of the "right and prerogative of the President of the World Zionist Organization to make political statements without having cleared them with the Government of Israel," declared: "I have had occasion to discuss this issue, since it was raised, both personally with the Prime Minister and within the framework of the Mossad Team (the Government-Jewish Agency Coordinating Committee) and I am glad to be able to state that without too much difficulty we have reached a full understanding." He then went on to say that "in view of the fact that since the establishment of the State of Israel, the World Zionist Organization is no longer determining the policy of Israel.... it is obvious that nobody can make foreign political declarations committing the World Zionist Organization, presenting its common opinion and speaking on its behalf in this sphere."

Goldmann

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the right to comment and advise; they could not make binding decisions.

- Bringing non-Zionists into the Jewish Agency was a step toward making the Jewish people a partner with the State.
- Organizational reforms were necessary to bring new blood into the Movement and to reduce the harmful influence of party groups.
- Work in the Diaspora was "unfortunately limited by the overwhelming tasks in Israel," and for the time being "we have to do our best and carry out our activities in both spheres, hoping for conditions which will enable us to increase both aspects of our work."

His opening address was pessimistic because it told the truth, but he believed in the future of the Movement. "I will give up the leadership of the Movement when I become convinced my hope is not justified by the facts of Zionist life."

Dr. Goldmann's reply came at the end of a day of rambling, sometimes acrimonious debate. Delegates digressed to religious issues, and at one point a squall broke out when Mr. Yitzhak Gruenbaum (Virilist) said he believed pork should be sold in Israel. Mr. S.Z. Shragai responded sharply from the floor and others joined in.

The American delegates, principally Rabbi Irving Miller, brought up questions concerning the future of Jewish life in America, vis-a-vis the State of Israel.

It was for Mr. Avraham Harman (Executive member) to provide the most lucid reply to the questions of the day and to point out the "factors which unite us."

"True, there are ideological differences in this room, but there is unanimity on the point that in the struggle for the survival of the Jewish people, Israel is the central and decisive front. We agree on that. Let us act on that basis and 50 years from now we can debate whether the Diaspora is permanent or not," said Mr. Harman.

How the Money was Spent

- $1,200m., 1200m. of it Jewish Agency income, was used until the end of March 1957 for investment, development and absorption of immigration through Government development and Jewish Agency budgets.
- 6,000 Jews lived in the Negev at the State's founding; today the number is 100,000. The increase in Galilee and the Emek is from 60,000 to 200,000.
- The area under cultivation in 1948 was 300,000 dunams; today it is nearly 4 million dunams.
- *179,000 dunams of rocky soil were transformed into farm land.*
- Groves and orchards increased by 250,000 dunams.
- 1,300 water wells were sunk.
- Water output rose by 450 million cubic metres.
- *450 settlements comprising 32,000 farm units were set up.*
- Farm output increased from $10m. in 1950 to $36m.
- Domestic farm production supplied more than 70 per cent of the national food basket.
- 150,000 units put up by Government, Jewish Agency, and public institutions, in addition to 50,000 units built by private enterprise.
- *70,000 abandoned dwelling units, shops, offices and public buildings were rehabilitated.*
- 40,000 earn their wages in housing.
- Youth Aliya took in and care for 53,000 children.

Agency Budget Debate

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ment's loan of IL50m. for agricultural settlement. It was previously IL30m. The Agency will funnel IL10m. of the IL50m. back to the Government to help with the health, welfare and education of new immigrants. Reparations income remains unchanged at IL19m. although the Government will not renew its advance of IL10m.

Loans add up to IL24m. Here Dr. Joseph voiced caution. He recalled that the budget for last year was set at IL220.7m. (IL180m. two years ago). But because of the heavy flow of immigration and growing investments in new settlements, the Agency spent IL232.7m., or 105 per cent of its budget. Its receipts totalled only 88 per cent of the budget, however, or IL195m.

"We had estimated that we should have been able to secure IL34.5m. in loans, whereas, in fact, we obtained IL8m.," he said. "It is my duty to sound a note of warning against continued deficit financing of such dimensions.... It is most unwise to adopt large budgets, which, it turns out, cannot be implemented."

Dr. Joseph said that the Agency hopes to renew loans from American banks in an amount almost equal to the repayments to be made on account of previous loans.

On the expenditure side, Dr. Joseph refuted the claim that the agricultural settlement budget was being reduced. The figure set for 1958-59—IL80m.— "is certainly much less than what is needed, but it is actually IL 6m. larger than last year's budget." The IL40m. in aid from the Government will be repayed either "by handing over the contracts with the settlers or in some other manner."

The cuts in the "Diaspora Departments" were dictated purely by a lack of means, said the Treasurer, and not out of "discrimination." He pointed to the fact that the Settlement Department was getting only IL40m. of Agency money in contrast to IL 58m. previously.

While the Executive reaffirmed its policy of unlimited immigration from Eastern Europe and from countries of distress, it is estimated that the number this year will probably reach 40,000 (71,000 in 1957). But the Budget provides for a minimum 24,000 immigrants. Immigration and absorption together are allocated IL77,500,000.

Dr. Joseph said that about 20 per cent of the immigrants would find housing with relatives, about 15 per cent would be absorbed in settlements, and the others would go to development areas. The Treasurer estimated that 50 farm settlements could be consolidated and 28 existing villages could be expanded.

Dr. Joseph cautioned against further delay in the consolidation of existing settlements. A delay would "cost us very considerable sums and has adverse psychological effects on settlers." He said that an "extremely small" proportion of people have left agricultural settlements.

"The time has come, however, for the Zionist Movement to place the settlers on their own feet and make them economically independent, so that we can dispense with the allocation of large sums, year after year, for emergency works," he said.

Burmese Military Mission Due

A Burmese military mission headed by the Director-General of the Ministry of Defence, U Maung Maung, is due in Israel at the end of the month. The mission, which includes the Deputy Director-General of the Ministry, Navy Captain B.O. Barber, the Quartermaster General, Brigadier Tin Pe, and Chief Engineering Officer U Baba, will visit Israel military and defence industry installations.

Another delegation, headed by the Burmese Air Force Commander, Air Commodore T. Clift, is to represent the Burmese Armed Forces at Israel's Tenth Anniversary celebrations.

Ramadhan Festival Starts Today

Ramadhan, the Moslem holy month of fasting, began this morning. During this month pious Moslems fast from dawn to dusk and feast at night.

Special Friday Ramadhan programmes prepared by Nuri Abdul Kader will be broadcast throughout the holy month every week by the Israel Arab Broadcasting Service. The 20-minute programmes will include live recordings of Moslem life in Acre, Jaffa and Nazareth.

Ramadhan Friday noon sermons will also be relayed from the country's main mosques.

HERMANN ZONDEK GETS SZOLD PRIZE

TEL AVIV Thursday.— The Municipality's Henrietta Szold prize for research in medicine and social hygiene was awarded tonight to Prof. Hermann Zondek.

Deputy Mayor A. Schechterman presented the award, which is worth IL500.

ROTARY KEEPS POST OPEN IN PROTEST

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The annual Israel Rotary Conference wound up its sessions today at a festive luncheon attended by the President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi.

The President told the assembled delegates that Israel's aim had always been "to live and let live." He also addressed the conference guests from the Istanbul Rotary club in Turkish, landing their country, where he had studied law as a young man.

He was introduced by the Administrative Adviser, Wellesley Aron, and was thanked by the French Ambassador, M. Pierre Gilbert, past-President of the host club. A toast to Mrs. Ben-Zvi was proposed by President Baker of the Nazareth club.

At its closing session, the conference decided not to nominate a candidate for the post of Administrative Adviser as a protest against Rotary International's refusal to recognize Israel's 24 clubs as a full-fledged Rotary District.

The resolution, which was adopted almost unanimously and received the support of the Arab delegates from the Nazareth, Haifa, Acre and Jaffa clubs, would inform the international Board of Directors that "no candidate could be found willing to accept the post under the present circumstances," and invited the Board to send a representative to Israel to discuss the crisis with the Israel clubs.

Until the establishment of the State, the Rotary clubs of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa were part of a larger District which included Egypt, Cyprus, Lebanon and Syria. Following the severance of ties with the Arab States, local Rotary leaders were unofficially promised that Israel would be recognised as a District on its own as soon as there were at least 10 clubs in the country. There are now 24 clubs here. The resolution adopted today "viewed with dismay and disappointment" the rejection of the Israel clubs' application by R.I. headquarters in the U.S.

Seven of the newly elected officers of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary clubs were born in different parts of the world, it was learned here today.

The President-elect, Mr. Percy N. Manham, is a native of South Africa; his deputy, Mr. Alexander Vaskevitch, was born in Russia; the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Fred Sonekh, in Iraq; the Honorary Secretary, Mr. Leo Bloom, is a U.S.; Mr. Nelson Tabajara, the Brazilian Minister to Israel, in Sao Paolo; Mr. Michael Wenner, First Secretary at the British Embassy, in England; Magistrate Emmanuel Yedid-Halevy, in Beirut; and the outgoing President, District Court Judge Eliezer Malchi, in Jerusalem.

Ordered to Vacate Cemetery Home

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — An aged couple who set up home in a room in the Jaffa Moslem cemetery used for the preparation of burials were today charged with trespass in the Magistrates Court.

The police asked that they be detained, declaring that the Jaffa Moslem Committee demands they vacate the room, and that the couple have nowhere to live.

The hearing went on against a continual background of sobs from 70-year-old Sadika Kashkash, while her husband, Tewfik Kashkash, aged 87, swayed ceaselessly as if in prayer.

The couple's son, Mr. Dib Kashkash, 30, told the magistrate that he and his parents had squatted in the room as they had no home. Asked by Magistrate Y. Zohar whether the family was prepared to vacate the room by Sunday, he replied "Inshallah" (God willing). Pressed by the Magistrate for a promise, or else be remanded in custody, Mr. Kashkash, jun., said, "If we're alive we'll leave."

The Magistrate released the couple on IL10 bail. *(Itim)*

Two Banks Set Up Funds For Severance Pay

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The Bank Leumi Le'Israel B.M. announced yesterday that it is to open a central fund for severance pay. This is the second fund of its type following the initiative of the Export Bank Ltd., which has been operating such a fund for a short time.

The fund is intended to hold the monies of employers intended for employees' severance pay. Following the fund's recognition by the Finance Ministry, the monies accumulated will be invested in keeping with Government regulations, and the subsequent interest will be free of income tax.

OVER 270 tourists, most of them from the U.S., arrived in Haifa yesterday in the s.s. Zion.

ZEALOTS REFUSE TO HEAR OATHS

Pandemonium reigned in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court for a short time at yesterday's hearings in the trial of 16 members of Natorei Karta accused of unlawful assembly, as members of the sect protested vociferously when police witnesses were asked to take the oath before testifying.

Magistrate A. Noar was forced to suspend hearings for a short while as the accused and their adherents in the audience shouted, "It is forbidden to swear!" One of the accused was fined IL20 twice in quick succession and another IL20 for contempt of court.

Several of the sect members including its leader, Rabbi Amram Blau, were ejected from the courtroom and order was finally restored only after the Magistrate allowed the accused to retire from the room while the witnesses swore, and to return immediately afterwards, so that they would be spared hearing the "blasphemous oaths."

A police request that the accused be held in custody until the resumption of hearings next week was rejected by the Magistrate.

Thirty persons were arrested yesterday evening in Jerusalem when some 300 members and supporters of Natorei Karta attempted to march through the streets in protest against the construction of the mixed-bathing pool in the Capital.

THE TELEPHONE number of the Tel Aviv Kiryn offices of the State Controller has been changed to 29261.

Holon Ma'bara Taken Off Map

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HOLON, Thursday. — The ma'bara here, that once accommodated 2,100 families, was today officially taken off the map.

All that remained today of this immigrant transit camp was 30 families, due to move into flats next week.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. M. Namir, here to mark the event, promised that Holon would be the first "immigrant town" in Israel that will see the end of canvas and wooden huts — which he thought would be next year.

Mayor Pinhas Eylon said that at one time nearly half the town's population — 7,000 in 1948 and nearly 30,000 today — lived in the ma'barot. The ma'bara dwellers were settled in seven different districts of the town.

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Gary Cooper, Audrey Hepburn and Maurice Chevalier
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Ronald Colman, Hedy Lamarr
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(not David Wiener as erroneously printed)
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A YEAR ago the Greek Cypriot terrorist organization, Eoka, declared a truce in its active war against CYPRUS the British Government in UNCERTAINTY Cyprus.

During this period no more members of the British administration were killed by Greek Cypriot patriots who demand union with Greece, but Cyprus herself has been dying slowly in the sun. In 1956 when Field Marshal Sir John Harding was Governor of Cyprus and directing the campaign against the worst of the rebellion, he was able to announce a five-year development plan for the island of £38 millions. There was a tremendous spurt of spending. Villages which had been neglected ever since Cyprus officially became a Crown Colony after World War One suddenly found themselves solicitously approached with offers of development funds. The 1957 estimates for Cyprus devoted over £6m. to special development, mostly for education and water wells.

By no means all of that £6m. was spent, though the true figures cannot be known until after the forthcoming Cyprus Budget statement. Certainly the Cyprus electricity and telecommunications authorities, which had been allowed to plan go-ahead schemes, have had, in the past few months, to borrow money from the Government on a hand-to-mouth basis.

The Government claims that the present low and falling price of copper (Cyprus' best foreign exchange earner) and the difficulty of floating either internal or foreign loans during the present political uncertainty over the island's future are the major reasons for the present stagnation. But the air of slow decay is not visible only on the civilian front. Even the 20,000-odd members of the British forces live in relatively bad conditions, without even adequate washing facilities, or enough medical supplies for the military hospitals.

That is the impression made by the whole of Cyprus. In some camps of the police emergency reserve in the west of the island — established for nine months — every drop of water needed had to be carried by hand for half a mile and up 500 feet, though there were two sealed wells within the camp perimeter.

Against this background, which includes the escape from the notorious Pyla camp on March 13 of four political detainees who simultaneously got themselves out of four separate compounds (an interesting commentary on the guards) is the official British military acceptance that Eoka is certainly able to begin full-scale operations today, and this week's bomb explosions may indeed be the opening shots. A year ago, successive defeats were among the major factors causing Eoka to call a truce.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan's recent statement on Cyprus is taken to mean that the British Labour Party has backed down on its promise of immediate self-determination and is now as frightened of the Turks as the Conservatives appear to be.

The recent call by Eoka for passive resistance by Greek Cypriots, which means mainly a boycott of British goods, is hardly operative. It is simple enough to work out that Government funds will be swelled even more by buying Italian or West German goods (the main competition to British) since British goods enjoy what is still known as imperial preference. Government officials also say privately that a boycott on imports would be a remarkable relief since the foreign trade balance here is running adversely at over £1 million a month.

With the apparent political indecision in London, and indeed in Greece, everything points to the danger of an early renewal of full-scale violence by Eoka. The days of the truce would seem to be numbered.

Letter from Paris — **By Maurice Carr**

Ominous Demonstration by Gendarmes

THURSDAY, March 13, 1958 is a date to be remembered by students of contemporary French history. On that day, there occurred a riot such as Paris had never seen before. It was staged by the police.

For some time now the upholders of law and order in Metropolitan France have been dissatisfied with their lot. They want, not only higher wages, but also the same danger money as is paid to the police in Algeria. The wearing of a police uniform here has come to be rather a perilous business. Fourteen gendarmes have been killed hereabouts by Moslem terrorists in the past few weeks.

Like other categories of workers, the police have their trade unions, variously affiliated to the Christian, Socialist and Communist confederations. For obvious reasons of State security, however, they are not permitted to strike.

7,000 Assembled

At three o'clock on that fateful Thursday, in response to a call from their unions, 7,000 policemen who were off-duty and for the most part wearing civilian clothes, assembled inside the quadrangle of the Paris Prefecture to hold what was announced as a "silent demonstration" in support of their salary and bonus claims.

As this gathering was a breach of discipline, the Police Prefect refused to receive a deputation of his subordinates. In anticipation of possible trouble, the police, while leaving their pistols at home, had brought along their whistles, upon which they proceeded to blow for all they were worth, at the same time sounding the sirens of police cars. The demonstrators were joined by sympathetic colleagues from within the Prefecture, members of the various services from counter-intelligence to anti-vice squads. A senior officer who came out to order the men to cease the din and to disperse was manhandled, laid over the bonnet of a car under a downpour of rain and then frog-marched back to his office.

After a while, the multitude took up the cry "On to Parliament!" They swarmed through boulevards and streets where on so many past occasions they had lashed out with white batons or swung black capes whip-fashion to break up unauthorized processions. Now they themselves occupied unopposed the breadth of the roadway, deliberately causing the greatest traffic hold-up the French capital has ever experienced.

When the demonstrators reached the National Assembly, blowing their whistles and sounding the sirens of their cars, the police who happened to be on point-duty there encouraged the long lines of immobilised motorists to toot their horns, too. The mad racket penetrated the massive walls of the Assembly. The Deputies abruptly adjourned their debate on a minor Bill concerning penal law and came out to see what was going on.

The heavy gates of the Assembly, back and front, had been hurriedly closed. Through the wrought iron railings, the gardiens de la paix — the keepers of the peace, as the police are called in France — hurled insults at the legislators elected by the will of the people. Colourful epithets alternated with dire threats: "Throw the good-for-nothing into the Seine!" "Burn the place down!" "Down with the windbags!" "Kill the Jews!"

One Deputy, however, was frenziedly acclaimed with repeated shouts of "Up with Dides! All power to Dides!" M. Jean Dides, a dissident Poujadist, is a former Police Commissioner who was dismissed from his post on the grounds that he had hatched a plot to overthrow the Mendès-France Government some three years ago. He was then described as the head of the "parallel police," a force which arrogated to itself the right to act independently of, and at times even against, the Government of the day.

The longer the manifestation lasted the more it took on a seditious, pro-Fascist and anti-Semitic character. Among the ringleaders were several inspectors and other high-ranking officers. As temper rose, even ordinary bystanders came in for abuse as "Murderous *fellaghas* (Algerian rebels)!"

Parliament Besieged

For two whole hours Parliament was besieged. No one could enter or leave. The handful of soldiers on guard at the Assembly stood by, impassive. The Director of the Municipal Police tried in vain to parley with the howling mob. When he said he would bring the military, he was set upon and had to run for his life. The authorities prudently avoided a trial of strength. If the troops had been ordered and had refused to charge the police, an ugly incident might have been transformed into a mutiny. In the end, delegations were admitted into the Assembly to lay their grievances before representatives of the different political parties. And when evening and supper-time came, everybody went home. Many harsh words had been spoken, but no bones broken, nor blood spilled.

The verbal explosion of police wrath has been roundly condemned by the Government, Parliament and the Press. It is generally agreed that a minority of militant Fascists among the police cleverly exploited the discontent of their colleagues, legitimate in many ways, to hold up the democratic regime to ridicule.

The demonstration was none the less ominous. It showed how vulnerable the Fourth Republic would be to an anti-Parliamentary assault by an extreme Right-wing group enjoying the confidence of the police. What took place was, or could be regarded as, a rehearsal for a *putsch*.

'Parallel Police'

Then again here was another symptom—so soon after the disastrous Sakiet affair — of the cancerous tendency on the part of certain vital State organs to usurp the power which rightly belongs to the Government. And there can be no mistake about it: March 13 was a resounding victory for the still extant "parallel police" which, contemptuous of the Constitution, strives to take the law into its own hands.

It would be idle to deny that one more serious blow has been struck at the prestige of the current form of Government. If there is a recurrence of this sort of thing, a major upheaval can be expected.

The Fascist troublemakers themselves, even if they were foolish enough to try a coup d'état and lucky enough to pull off an initial success, could never maintain themselves. In the present mood of the nation, the mass of the French people of all classes would sweep them away in a day. But extremism, whether of the Fascist or Communist variety, could flourish eventually in an embittered and frustrated France from which Algeria had been amputated.

It is unfortunate that the Government, stampeded by the hue and cry set up by Rightist elements, has been hitting out hard on relatively harmless liberals denounced as "traitors," and at the same time has overlooked the machinations of Fascist-minded ultra-colonialists who scream "Algeria is French!" but who by their attempts to sabotage the framework-law for Algerian home rule are doing their best to lose Algeria for France.

ELI — **By Meir**

"Eli says he doesn't know whether to dress for the Actions Committee U.J.A. delegation or for the 'Asor' tourists."

Yesterday's Press

Ties with the Diaspora

Ha'aretz (non-party) points out that it was natural that Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, addressed the Zionist General Council on the relations between it and the State of Israel, speaking as representative of the Diaspora in general rather than as head of the W.Z.O. in particular. Ideas, writes the paper, have a measure of independent existence but reality comes along to strengthen or weaken them in accordance with the needs of the generation. Dr. Goldmann's address came to remind us of these needs and it will be well to heed his words. If we understand that we must regard the Zionist Movement as a faithful friend of the State we shall be able to find the suitable organizational forms to give adequate expression to this friendly feeling.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) finds that Dr. Goldmann enunciated the fact that Israel will find her way out of her difficulties once the power contest over the Middle East is liquidated and once the State and world Jewry get together for their mutual good. The Zionist Movement will soon be confronted by arduous tasks if the speaker guessed correctly that Moscow will lend an ear to the plea to permit the exit of the Jews of Russia. This makes the call to strengthen the position of the Movement as an equal partner in the upbuilding of the State particularly timely.

The economic recession in America impels Davar (Histadrut) to stress how highly dependent Israel is on the U.S. for bonds income as well as for grants. While we hope that this crisis will pass quickly, the recession should underscore again how vital it is for us to strive for economic self-sufficiency.

Herut takes the Israel Government to task for intimating that the establishment of the Gaza Council was not worth reacting to. Such an attitude, writes the paper, will only encourage Nasser to annex the Strip to Egypt when he is ready.

Hatzofe (World Mizrahi) points out that Israel is now in the top rank of "Murder-on-the-roads" due to court leniency. It advocates resort to immediate punitive action by taking licences away from offenders without even waiting for Court action.

Shanta Rao Charms Jerusalem

Shanta Rao and her dancers of India (Edison Hall, Jerusalem, March 18).

WATCHING the dancing of Shanta Rao was an experience of a special order, which led us into the mythical and mystical world of Indian legends and folk-dances. Her mastery of styles, the seemingly unending variety of movements of her body, and especially her expressive hands are wonders of training and sublimation. Only the relatively few who had a close view of the stage could take in all the beauty of details as transmitted by her foot work, her eyes and all the minute movements of head and shoulders, but every one in the crowded hall felt her strong personality and the artistic perfection of her dancing. Shanta Rao was well assisted by Chandri and Meera Rao, well trained and perfectly disciplined, whilst Draupadi, the queen in the *Kathakali*, was very appealingly impersonated by Suneethy.

The male dancers had more playing parts to execute. Crinolines look strange on men to us, but then the costumes and headgears were most beautiful and elaborate, and enacting extracts from the *Kathakali* made a good contrast to the dance numbers, which were purely expression without story or development. The musicians and the alternating singers gave the dancers marvellous support and background, the players of the *Mridanga* and the *Nattuvangam* seemed of special excellence in rhythmical patterns, precision and dynamics of the most exquisite variety.

However, the step from the Sublime to the Ridiculous was taken by the lady who explained the programme. Her announcements from backstage were quite in order, but her appearance under a spotlight made her look like a night club figure. However, she obviously enjoyed herself and even came out to take her bow along with the ensemble.

There should be a law to force impresarios or Hall owners to provide the stage with a decent backdrop. The same dirty-looking material hung on the stage has annoyed audiences for years. This tasteless neglect was never felt more strongly than on this evening and was an insult to Shanta Rao's display of beauty and perfection of the highest order.

Y. BOEHM

THIS WEEK...

The **ZIONIST GENERAL COUNCIL** session for the Tenth Anniversary year opened with an impassioned call for the unity of Israel and world Jewry by the President of the World Zionist Organization, Dr. Nahum Goldmann.

The **NEW CHIEF OF STAFF** of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, Major-General Carl Carlsson von Horn of Sweden, arrived to take up his post.

The **PALESTINE ELECTRIC** Corporation announced its first dividend since 1950, to be financed by an increase in industrial power rates.

71,100 IMMIGRANTS had reached Israel's shores in 1957, it was announced.

An Israel **FISHING TRAWLER SANK** off the Turkish coast, without loss of life.

A CALL FOR NON-IDENTIFICATION with either power bloc was made at the conclusion of the Ahdut Ha'avoda convention, along with the proposal to staff all administration with men over 35 and place all young people in productive work.

NEW AMBASSADORS from Switzerland and Italy, H.E. Emile Bisang and the Marchese di San Martino, presented their credentials to the President.

AN ECONOMIC SURVEY MISSION of prominent European Bond leaders began a tour of Israel.

Readers' Letters

SUNNY PROPAGANDA

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Recently I received a letter from Morocco and the envelope was franked with a postmark showing a sunny scene and labelled "Agadir — 300 Days of Sun." I was reminded of your article of February 14 calling for the exploitation of our wonderful sunshine for propaganda purposes.

I think that if our postal authorities adopted a similar idea it would be effective propaganda in bringing to the minds of people all over the world, and especially in northern Europe, the advantages of a holiday with so much sunshine.

Yours, etc.
HERBERT SALOMON
Tel Aviv, March 9.

GADNA SERVICE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With regard to several recent references on the subject, amongst them the letter of Dr. Dror in your issue of January 12, we should like to state that Gadna high school students serving in kibbutzim and settlements within the framework of national service were not engaged, in any instance, in spraying with toxic materials.

The pupils did pour poisoned grain into rat holes (straight out of tins) but instructions have been given to stop this kind of work.

Yours, etc.
URI OREN
Press Officer
Ministry of Education and Culture
Jerusalem, March 14.

NUMBER PLATES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have read with sympathy a letter in today's issue about the new orange-coloured number plates for cars.

I think it is our duty to report a car driving in the wrong direction down a one-way street, especially down a narrow and winding street. It is often impossible to read the new numbers when one wishes to do so for the purpose of reporting an infringement of road safety rules.

Yours, etc.
"PEDESTRIAN"
(Name and Address Supplied)
Jerusalem, March 10.

20 PER CENT PREMIUM

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In connection with your report of March 11 about the 20 per cent premium payable to Americans and Canadians on their social security pensions, insurance or similar remittances, may we point out that this change in the law was brought about, as were many others, due to the constant efforts of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel to make the authorities aware of omissions and discrepancies in regulations that affect us.

Moreover, we announced this in our monthly bulletin to our members last December.

Information concerning the latest regulations affecting Americans and Canadians can be obtained directly from our office at 76 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv.

Yours, etc.
MURRAY GREENFIELD
Executive Secretary A.O.A. etc.
Tel Aviv, March 13.

NATURE NOTES

Australia's Contribution

IT is a fine-sounding name and a fine-looking tree and like other good things, among them the Eucalyptus, it comes from Australia. In nine cases out of ten people who go along the old road from Tel Aviv through the Emek Hefer and pass Ramatayim remark, when driving between the fine avenue of casuarinas there: "What lovely spruce trees. How old are they?" They are no relatives of spruce trees, and they are only a little over 20 years old. Yet they are most imposing, for they grow quickly and their thickly bunched needles, which are not really needles at all, provide good shade.

The tree is an oddity, for what looks much like the long needle of the American spruce is actually a twig. If you look at one of the "needles" closely, you can see that it is much like equisetum or horsetail, the plant which grows in Europe in wet soil, with lighter-coloured joints, so to speak, at regular distances from each other.

Casuarinas, like eucalyptus, are often planted where one is impatient for shade, because they grow so quickly. They also provide very hard wood, in spite of this fast growth, and are useful as timber. However, also like eucalyptus, they suffer nothing beside them and are apt to ruin lawns and garden beds in their proximity when they grow up.

The fruit is a round little thing resembling a cone, actually an aggregate of nutlets.

P.A.

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Defence Service Ordinance, 1949

ORDER TO REPORT FOR REGISTRATION EXAMINATIONS AND REGULAR SERVICE

By virtue of the power vested in me in accordance with paras. 4(d) and 5(f) of the Defence Law, 1949 I, I hereby order as follows:

Interpretation:

1. In this Order, "permanent resident" means a woman permanently residing under the jurisdiction of the State of Israel, and who was born between October 2, 1940 and March 28, 1941, both dates inclusive, excluding married women, mothers and expectant mothers.

Reporting for registration and examination to determine Health Category for Defence Service:

2. Every permanent resident is hereby ordered to report for registration and medical and other examinations in order to determine his category for defence service, at one of the places listed in Table A, between the hours 8 a.m. and 12 noon on the day listed in Table B, opposite the first letter of her surname.

Title:

3. This Order will be called "Order for Defence Service (Call-Up for Registration and Examinations), 1958."

TABLE A

1. Jerusalem	Recruiting Office, Rehov Bethlehem, corner Emek Harefaim.
2. Tel Aviv	Recruiting Office, No. 1 — 308 Street Jaffa
3. Haifa	Recruiting Office, 32 Rehov Y.L. Peretz.
4. Petah Tikva	Recruiting Office, Shikun Ironi, Feja
5. Tiberias	Recruiting Office, Nazareth St., opp. Municipality.
6. Beersheba	Recruiting Office, Main Road.

TABLE B

Alef	Monday or Tuesday	March 24 or 25, 1958
Bet	Wednesday or Thursday	March 26 or 27, 1958.
Gimel-Dalet	Sunday or Monday	March 30 or 31, 1958.
Heh	Tuesday	April 1, 1958.
Vav	Wednesday	April 2, 1958.
Zayin	Thursday	April 3, 1958.
Het	Sunday	April 13, 1958.
Tet	Monday	April 14, 1958.
Yod	Tuesday	April 15, 1958.
Kaf	Wednesday or Thursday	April 16 or 17, 1958.
Lamed	Sunday or Monday	April 20 or 21, 1958.
Mem	Tuesday	April 22, 1958.
Nun-Samech	Wednesday	April 23, 1958.
Ayen-Peh	Friday	April 25, 1958.
Zadek-Kouf	Sunday or Monday	April 27 or 28, 1958.
Resh	Tuesday	April 29, 1958.
Shin-Tav	Wednesday	April 30, 1958.

March 5, 1958. AHARON NIV, Recruiting Officer
Sefer Hahukim 36, 1948, Page 271. Sefer Hahukim 61, 1951, Page 243.

THE MILLS OF JUSTICE GRIND SLOWLY

By Gerda Luft

Is justice in Israel done quickly enough to protect society against offenders and to safeguard the citizen's legitimate interests?

Answers vary. There are judges who will point proudly to the record of Israel courts, which compares favourably with those of other countries. They back up their opinion with the following statistics of the average periods that elapse from the time cases are filed until hearings begin:

MAGISTRATE'S COURTS	
Civil suits	9 months
Criminal suits	6 months
Motions	2 months
Summary procedure	2 months
DISTRICT COURTS	
Civil suits	15 months
Criminal suits	9 months
Motions	2 months
Civil and criminal appeals	6 months
SUPREME COURT	
Civil appeals	10 months
Criminal appeals	2 months
High Court of Justice (final order)	6 weeks-2 months

The Minister of Justice, who openly admits that we have to deal with an all-pervading "*schevet*," with slow motion in the law courts, points out at the same time that complaints about slow justice are being heard all over the world: the procedure evolved in the past is often cumbersome and not suited to a society which grows more complex every day and places an ever-increasing burden on the machinery of justice.

Other judges, lawyers of high standing and people with court experience will only shrug their shoulders at statistics, averages and comparisons. Woe to us, they will say, if we must compare our performance with the U.S. in order to show how well we work, for there, things are admittedly often intolerable.

For the citizen and the police, it is small comfort to know that other countries grapple with similar problems. They want them solved here and now.

Working Conditions in Courts

ONE point on which there is general agreement is that working conditions in the law courts are intolerable. The old buildings are unsuitable, yet no new ones have been designed. As work in the courts multiplied, judges found themselves sitting in windowless rooms, unbearably hot in summertime, with inadequate space for clerks, clients, plaintiffs, defendants, policemen and lawyers. Even when there is money for additional personnel, there is often no room for an additional desk and chair. The sanitary installations in the Tel Aviv District Court, for example, are sub-standard, to say the least.

It is argued that there is no budget for new court buildings. The argument is not wholly convincing. Millions have been made available for projects surely no more important than giving the courts of justice suitable working conditions and a dignified milieu. The truth is probably that there has been no pressure group behind the demand to supply the law courts with suitable premises.

A weak point in the work of the courts are the clerks, some of whom are not really qualified to deal either with the public or the material they have to handle. As in many other institutions, it would probably be cheaper to pension off those who are not equal to the task and to raise a new generation with proper qualifications that could benefit from the guidance of the well-educated and experienced old hands. Here as in many other government offices, such a plan would meet with endless complications that are too familiar to require elaboration; even under present conditions, however, firmer organization and intensified instruction could mend matters perceptibly.

Opinion is divided as to whether the present number of judges is adequate. On the whole, observers agree that it is, providing the judges' working capacity is fully utilized. However, an ever-increasing number of them are busy outside the law courts, heading public committees, for instance. Such appointments, which demonstrate that the public and the Knesset place confidence in the judges, add to the strain on the courts.

Monster lawsuits like the Kastner case can occupy courts for years on end. The very fact that the Kastner case was argued in Jerusalem and that the Kafr Kasim trial removed another Jerusalem judge to a military court for a number of months, may well be responsible for the fact that in the capital the backlog of cases is more noticeable than in the other cities.

Efficient court organization could help appreciably in speeding up justice. One hears endless complaints that people are summoned to court only to be kept waiting for a couple of hours, and then sent away because the hearing has been postponed. Why do cases have to be put off? There is, first, the allocation of work among the judges. One magistrate, discovering that a witness has not appeared, finds himself with spare time on his hands, and with little to do, while another groans under the pressure of accumulated cases.

Court Organization

In Tel Aviv, such possibilities are reduced by a system under which cases may be transferred from one judge to another. While opinions are divided on the ultimate usefulness of this particular device, judges and lawyers agree that there is ample room for better planning and co-ordination. At least in Tel Aviv one judge is so exasperated by the slow working of the courts that he conducts sessions until midnight, day after day. It goes without saying that such forced working speed is not an unmixed blessing.

Opinions about the quality of our judges vary, but it is generally admitted that they have kept away from party politics, which is obviously of the utmost importance. On the whole, their professional level is also considered satisfactory. During the organizational stages, however, when the Israel law courts were just being set up, a number of appointments were made which can be explained only by the fact that it was not easy in those days to get a lawyer of high standing to accept a place on the bench, particularly in the magistrates' courts. Today, it is easier to find candidates because remuneration is more satisfactory, because judges rank high in public esteem and because the number of lawyers in general has greatly increased. Maintaining a very high standard in future appointments would make not only for high juridical competence, but also for good working morale among the judges. This will no doubt be kept in mind when six new district court judges and seven new magistrates are appointed in the near future.

There will also be ten traffic judges. In a new organizational move designed to do away with some of the inconvenience in dealing with traffic offences and accidents, special traffic courts whose judges will sit from four in the afternoon until ten in the evening are to be set up. Even now, in minor infractions, the offender has a choice of paying a fine on the spot instead of appearing in court, but judges have often imposed a lower fine than the standard traffic police "ticket," and this, of course, encourages offenders to let the case be taken to court. It is agreed that accident lawsuits will have to be speeded up urgently, and it has been promised that something will be done in this respect soon.

The work of the courts, of course, does not depend on the judges alone; and the attitude of lawyers and the public tends to impede the flow of justice rather than to speed it. Many a trial is postponed because one of the lawyers makes such a request. Defendants may be interested in delays for a variety of reasons. For instance, in times of inflation a certain section of the public is interested in drawing out a lawsuit and postponing payment as long as possible. Some judges now grant postponements only if the demand is made in time and in writing, if witnesses can prove that they are ill or have suddenly been called up for reserve duty, etc.

Up to this point we have dealt only with points that can be termed more or less technical. However, the system of court procedure is equally relevant to the problem.

According to English court custom, the judge functions as a sort of umpire between the two contending sides. The two sides conduct the case as they see fit and the judge tries to form his opinion from the testimony and other evidence that they produce. If this system is to work, the representatives of plaintiff and defendant must make the point at issue as clear-cut as possible. But, judges complain, it is the obvious aim of many a lawyer in this country to spread a fog of legal niceties over the case so that it takes endless time to unravel the net he weaved. In Britain the position is different owing to two circumstances. First, the barrister considers himself a servant of the court, has no direct relation with his client and is used to putting his case as clearly as possible. Second, the prestige of the judge is very high, and one word from him can cut through a maze of arguments and prevent repetitiousness.

English System Unsuitable

EXPERIENCED lawyers in this country argue that the English system cannot work properly without the institution of the barrister; and that if this cannot be introduced, then at least lawyers should be allowed to appear in the higher courts only after a number of years of practice during which they will have learned co-operation with the judges.

But there are also many experienced lawyers and judges who believe that the English system as such is not suitable to our mentality, that it would be better to follow Continental procedure under which the judge takes a more active part in the trial, cutting irrelevant points short and examining the witnesses himself. It is also pointed out that even under the present system a judge who knows how to preside over a trial with proper authority has the means to prevent lawyers from straying from central points, so that the crux is the mentality of many lawyers and the inability of judges to make their authority felt.

It is improbable that some day the whole system will be changed; but alterations have been and are being made. The Minister of Justice has been bent on simplifying procedure, and the abolition of preliminary investigations for certain categories of offences can be of far-reaching importance, although it remains to be seen how it will work out in practice.

Judges being sworn in at the Supreme Court.

The police are naturally interested in having court procedure move quickly and without hitches. Lawsuits that are postponed time and again often mean that witnesses vanish or forget the evidence they gave when first questioned at a police station. This means that the force, which is always short of manpower, loses valuable time. Worst of all, it lessens the authority of the courts and thus makes the work of the police even more difficult.

Courts, judges, lawyers and police depend for their functioning on the laws passed by the Knesset. Our legislature does not abound in experts in jurisprudence, and more often than not it passes bills without making sure how they are to be enforced. This must obviously exert a powerful influence on the attitude of the public to everything that has to do with justice and the courts.

It is strange that one of the difficulties facing our courts is seldom mentioned, and that is the heterogeneity of languages and backgrounds among the people in our courtrooms, which imposes a tremendous burden of work and responsibility on the administration of justice. But this very multiplicity of language and cultural background make smooth and speedy justice even more imperative than in a uniform society.

There can be two approaches to the task of providing quicker justice in Israel courts. The first, fatalistic, recognizes that we have here a problem we share with the whole civilized world and relies on the progress that will come with the growth of an Israel judicial tradition and the emergence of a less subjective way of thinking. The second seeks improvement and wants it quickly, in the shape of new and suitable court buildings, better court personnel and the very stringent selection of new judges.

As far as court procedure is concerned, the fact that our new generation of lawyers is being educated on the English model makes prospects of a radical change in the present system appear remote by now. But suggestions for creating a real "Bar," that is barristers appointed by a special corporation, or at least admitting only lawyers of experience to the higher courts, are worthy of consideration.

The courts of justice are in good standing with public opinion and the press. But a good part of the public has either adjusted itself to the slow motion of the judicial process — by working out compromises wherever possible — or is on the point of rebellion or despair owing to the failure to speed up the machinery. We should see to it that the courts are enabled and compelled to retain their good name.

Heard Abroad

Shortages are the mark of progress.
— Mr. Adnan Menderes, Prime Minister of Turkey.

This is not the time to throw away our bargaining position; this is the time to use it.
— Mr. Harold Macmillan.

I wouldn't trust the Russians as far as I can throw them.
— Mr. Truman.

In an eccentric kind of way I am still in favour of the human race.
— Mr. J.B. Priestley.

I believe this is a world where people want peace. Therefore, when Khrushchev says it I am prepared to believe it.
— Dr. Donald Soper.

It is a tragedy that today the fun has gone out of the Army. It used to be good fun in the old days.
— Brigadier Q.I. Prior-Palmer, M.P.

Always suspect those who seek to besmirch the good name of the newspapers.
— London "Daily Express"

Ghana Marks First Year

New Nation Has Fine Leaders, Few Trained Men

By a Special Correspondent

IN "Promise and Fulfilment," Arthur Koestler tells of a meeting with an Israel Government official who proudly explained: "We are getting sovereigner and sovereigner every day." That was in the summer of 1948, a few months after the establishment of Israel. Today Ghana, the world's youngest nation but one, has been "getting sovereigner" for a whole year and has marked the occasion in a prolonged burst of joy.

The streets of Accra, a remarkably bright and pleasant capital where old shacks are fast disappearing and where modern, efficient, good public and private architecture dominates the view, are decorated with myriads of gay flags. The luxurious Ambassador Hotel, the finest in West Africa, is crowded with important guests and other visitors from many lands. The city seems to be one sea of Kentecloth, the multicoloured national costume of Ghana, with a sprinkling, here and there, of the more sombre gowns and tall headwear of Nigerian women and flowing robes from East Africa.

The most brilliant feature in Accra these days is provided, however, by the scores of chiefs and paramount chiefs from many districts, powerful, imperious-looking elders in their heavily-gilt crowns, preceded by staff-bearing heralds and surrounded by lackeys carrying the chief's vast, ornate umbrella and waving fans of plumes.

Agricultural Show

The six-day independence celebrations started with an agricultural show where the accent was on mechanization and on the improvement of the country's major crop, cocoa. There followed the usual round of receptions and garden parties attended by thousands, a Thames-style regatta, and an afternoon dedicated to the nation's women: women dancing, women displaying ancient local fashions, women showing their achievements in the social field. A parade and march-past was impressive mainly by the emphasis on youth and gaiety and by the absence of the heavy weapons so dear to many other new nations even when they have no enemies to fight.

The accent in all these celebrations was, understandably enough, on independence and on paying tribute to the man who largely brought it about, Prime Minister Dr. Kwame Nkrumah. He himself pressed the button which lit up the new Nkrumah Circle, though it was his wife who represented him at the unveiling of the more-than-lifesize statue of himself in front of Parliament House. Incidentally, this Egyptian-born lady of the Coptic faith, shy and pretty, made her first public appearance during these festivities.

A year is hardly enough for a new nation to find its bearings even under the most favourable of circumstances. Yet Ghana already has encouraging achievements to her credit. The largest items in the country's budget are education and development; a new port is projected; a Ghanaian shipping line, the first indigenous one in Black Africa, has been formed (jointly with ZIM) and is already working smoothly and profitably. Overlooking the Accra plains, a University of ambitious proportions built with an eye to much larger enrolment in future years, is complete except for a few buildings. A system of rural water supply, a novel feature in Ghana, is still in the blueprint stage but is certain to be introduced.

Under the leadership of the socialist movement, the country has become more cohesive. The traditional demand of regional chiefs up-country for relative autonomy from the central government — tolerated if not encouraged by the British in the last years before their departure — will take some more time to overcome, but the process is inevitable. Some of the methods used by Accra have caused adverse comment, mainly in the British press, as for instance the fact that a Bill has been prepared authorizing preventive detention. Yet perhaps one may find partial explanation for this criticism in the complaint, voiced in the London papers recently, that regional commissioners sent from Accra to supervise the chiefs have "replaced impartial and purely administrative foreign officials."

Internationally, Ghana is being courted by West and East alike, though the government has as yet no full relations with the Soviet bloc. Dr. Nkrumah has just accepted President Eisenhower's invitation to go to the U.S. in July.

All Invited

AN important feature of this first anniversary was the presence of a considerable number of leaders from dependent territories, mostly British, in East Africa. Invitations were issued to all political parties. With few exceptions, the Government parties supported by the colonial powers stayed away or sent lesser officials, but the other visitors, chiefly labour and trade union leaders, were impressive and may well be the men of the future.

A mark of Ghana's prominence is the choice of Accra as the locale of the Pan-African Conference in April, to be attended by heads of state or government of independent nations, including Liberia's President Tubman, Tunisia's Bourguiba and Egypt's Nasser. Later in the year, a Pan-African Congress will be held here for leaders of political movements and parties including those from areas still under foreign rule. Ghana seems conscious of her destiny, and will try to make the "black star of Africa" shine as a model for the continent. There may be a clash with Nasser's own more sinister "destiny." Many Ghanaians seem aware of the issues, although one would be rash to discount the psychological appeal of Nasser's political successes or, for that matter, his own astuteness and that of his advisers.

Civil Servant Shortage

YET although Ghana is earnestly going forward, although she has no hostile neighbours to make her divert her efforts and resources from her development tasks, all is not easy. The nation has a determined and dedicated top leadership, but this handful of fine men, more experienced in gaining a state than in running its business, has to bear almost the entire load. There is a tragic shortage of trained men in the intermediate echelons of government, administrative and technical. Worse still, many key positions are filled by foreign officials inherited from the pre-independence days under a special agreement. Most Ministries are run by them and also carry them as advisers. The University is almost entirely in their hands. Many Ghanaians are, not unnaturally, suspicious of them and of their intentions.

There is a tendency to replace them by Ghanaians as they retire (it is impossible to dismiss any); but though many of the original 700 have gone, most of the others will remain almost indispensable until more Ghanaians are trained. Among them one may meet an occasional acquaintance or neighbour, a police sergeant from Rosh Pinna or a C.I.D. official from Jaffa.

The Government has had rough going in some of the foreign press. A good many of the stories so piously concerned with the future of democracy in Ghana read as if they were a collection of gossip items picked up at the men's bar of the Ambassador Hotel, and occasionally a correspondent will admit quite freely that he got his material, or was directed to it, by non-Ghanaians who strangely enough are in charge of the country's public relations service.

The Prime Minister is determined as ever to lead his people to a bright future through constructive achievement. A very youthful man of 49, he has kept his old exuberance. But even though the look in his eyes will sometimes show the cares and pitfalls of a nation's first year "on its own," he seems confident enough. With a growing economy and the enthusiasm of his people, there is every prospect of his achieving his goal.

Russia's New Diplomacy: 'Call Me Mike'

By Patrick O'Donovan

WASHINGTON (OFNS). — THE most surprising personality to be seen at present in Washington is Mikhail Alekseyevich Menshikov, the Russian Ambassador, who has been here barely a month. He has met most of the leaders of the U.S. Administration; he has asked to see all the Cabinet members individually; he has given interviews to journalists with no translator present ("Call me Mike," he said to one Washington reporter); he has met and sipped appropriate drinks with the chief Washington hostesses.

Russia, it is clear, is trying its hand at the new diplomacy. Mr. Menshikov's attitude is in startling contrast to that of his four predecessors who were not merely dour, but set in an attitude of graceless hostility.

A war or so ago, it was the duty of an Ambassador to represent his country, to advise with authority his own Government, to decide immediate questions in the name of his Government, to wield real power, and occasionally to upset the course of history. In doing this he would, if of any importance, have close contact with the seats of power. The British Ambassador played cards with Catherine the Great of Russia after dinner, and reported what happened in full to his masters. The American and British Ambassadors in London and Washington during the American Civil War carried the dreadful responsibility of suppressing the hostility that existed between the North and the British Government. But ever since the First World War their functions, if not their dignities, have dwindled. The final evidence of change came at the time of Suez, when it became clear that the British action was taken not only against the advice of Britain's representatives, but without their knowledge.

MENSHIKOV

The change is today very visible in Washington. Heads of State and Prime Ministers and powers-behind-the-throne troop in and out of the city like sales managers in a "territory." The men of the present Administration, Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Dulles particularly, have close relations with no Ambassadors. Many of them have never even met the President. Mr. Dulles would consult, but would never concoct a policy with any Ambassador.

Their function has changed into that of propaganda chiefs, as prima donnas of the spoken word. It is their duty to travel and talk and to prove that foreigners wear neither horns nor tails. It is a special merit for an Ambassador to say he has visited every one of the 48 States. The curious, but comforting idea that Washington is not America, that you must get out to the Middle West and meet the people, has now taken over in diplomacy. Washington has become a city of competing public relations operations.

Some Embassies, like the German, retain a Madison Avenue public relations firm. Some, like the British, have huge staffs of their own information experts. Many, like the newly independent nations, hand out weekly newsletters that provide the sort of information about women's rights and hydroelectric schemes that never get published. Some, like the South Americans, entertain wildly. The Egyptians, in a rather half-hearted way, have tried dancing girls from New York on the Press. And now the Russians have stepped into the hurly-burly.

The Right Thing

Mr. Menshikov is handsome in an almost American manner. He has not that slept-in look of most Russians abroad. His suit is double-breasted and neat. His tie is retained by a gold clip. His wife dresses with the sensible and unfashionable elegance of the wife of a British colonial governor.

He is doing the right thing. He has addressed a mass luncheon at the Press Club. It puzzled him. He was not adept at answering the questions, had not mastered the trick answer that turns away the truth. But he tried.

They were good to him. They recited his accomplishments — he rode horses, he played tennis, etc. in fact an "all-American Red." They said he was the first Ambassador from Russia since Maxim Litvinov to visit the club. They asked him about purges, and quoted some of the wilder articles in "Pravda." He survived it with a certain charm. He is even going to face the Press on television.

What precisely he hopes to achieve is less certain. At the beginning of the last war Lord Halifax was British Ambassador in the U.S. Once in Chicago he had the good fortune to be pelted with eggs. "How lucky," he said, "to live in a country with eggs to throw." His personal success was assured after that and it is still remembered. It is doubtful if any Ambassador can ever again have such influence.

Mr. Menshikov does not seem to be setting his sights high. He talks all the time of "misunderstandings," of the necessity of cultural exchanges, of the peoples getting to know each other better. A secondary purpose seems to be his pressing for a Foreign Ministers' meeting as a preliminary to a summit conference.

But essentially he is trying to prove that he has neither horns nor a tail, that the Russians are easy folk, that the cold war is a lot of nonsense that could be stopped by a new version of hands across the sea. He has asked for nothing more than the continuance of the present situation in Europe and the East laced with friendliness and more trade and disarmament. That means, of course, acceptance of the situation in Hungary and Eastern Europe. No one is alarmed by his activity. He has a long way to go. The experts and the observers accept him as just one more gambit in a familiar game. But they do wonder how many States he will make before he is recalled.

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ROUND THE EXHIBITIONS

Chana Twersky

CHANA Twersky last had an exhibition in Tel Aviv in 1951 and the current show at the Katz Galleries presents work executed over the past couple of years.

Practically all 21 oils are still-life, chiefly notable for their sober yet attractive colour schemes, sensitive handling of paint and balanced composition. The artist arranges series of jugs and vases, sometimes holding flowers, against backgrounds built on vertical lines, very often consisting of rectangles. She weaves all the items of the design together in broad colour-planes. When she introduces the human figure, it is very much simplified, features being eliminated and only the main shape of the head blocked in.

In general, this is a pleasant collection with nothing that falls below an acceptable level. The still-life with flowers and a group of jugs with a very lovely blue predominating are particularly worth note.

David Sharir

THE Chemerinsky Gallery is showing the first one-man exhibition of paintings by David Sharir, the twenty-year old Israeli who won a prize at the Young Artists Exhibition organized by the Israel Artists Association some months ago.

Sharir studied with Paldi, Johanan Simon and at the Avni Institute of Art but already seems to have found his own individual way. He is fascinated by insect and animal forms and uses these as the basis of most of the paintings, no matter what

CHANA TWERSKY: Still Life

the title. He has an imaginative feeling for colour, his design is fine-spun and he adds interest to his work by the many variations he gives to the textural surface. Apart from their decorative appeal, many of the works such as the "Don Quixote," Owl at the Window, Crab Planet, Spider, have an evocative atmosphere. His black-and-whites are less successful although the studies of ruins have a certain charm of design.

He is a gifted young man and it will be interesting to see how he develops.

Johanan Simon

JOHANAN Simon last had an exhibition at the Tel Aviv Museum about five years ago and in the interim he spent some time in South America, which profoundly affected his approach to painting. The 28 oils and half-a-dozen gouaches now on view at the Museum are the work of the past four years — with a few South American landscapes included — but in all the paintings one can note the influence of that visit: in the sunburnt colours and emphasis on the decorative value of cactus-forms and stark-looking rocks.

Simon is an excellent "decorator." His design is very well organized, the drawing is deliberate and firm and he has decided feeling for monumentality which has helped to make him one of the best mural painters of the country. But the very qualities which carry in the wall-paintings tend sometimes to make the easel pictures too rigid and over-emphatic in their stylization. However, at his best as in "Composition with Kite," "Wind over the Vineyards," "Brazilian Composition," the power of stressing the essentials of a scene plus the sober colour harmonies, make the works very effective. His somewhat too poster-like portraits show that he can catch a good likeness too.

Yehiel Krize

ALSO at the Tel Aviv Museum, Yehiel Krize has been showing gouaches. An abstractionist, whose particular gift is a fine and delicate sense of colour coupled with a gentle lyricism, Krize's 60 works are nearly all based on city scenes with the rectangles and squares which make up the form, giving an impression of masonry. Individually the paintings have much beauty and sensitivity but with so many of the same sort together, the effect is really too monotonous.

S. W.

Narkiss Memorial

THE Bezalel Museum marked the first anniversary of the death of its great Curator with a "Mordechai Narkiss Memorial Exhibition" featuring important works acquired by Narkiss for the museum and described by him in learned papers. Since the museum's collections grew so tremendously under the Narkiss regime, it is clear that only a minute selection could be presented. Two considerations were decisive: whether the object concerned was representative of one of Narkiss' specialized scientific interests, and whether it was held in special regard by this great art lover, who was equally encyclopedic as a collector and as an art historian.

The small exhibition offers Dutch paintings and rare

MAGIC WAR SHIELD, WOOD, 78x33 cm. From the Trobriand Islands, New Guinea. (Samuel Dubiner Collection at the Bezalel National Museum). On the white background a symmetrical design is painted in red, black and yellow. A rhythmic pattern represents the piercings of the spear points; the major design is schematic, considered abstract by some scholars; others maintain that this form, somewhat reminiscent of a human figure, represents a flying witch. The magic significance of the shield can be likened to that of the legendary shield of Perseus. From the Narkiss Memorial Exhibition.

prints, a unique Gothic Menorah, Renaissance bronzes, medals and the famous key casket, a Modigliani drawing and a ceremonial Papuan war shield, illuminated manuscripts, gems and a portrait by Maurice Gottlieb. This enchanting variety of lovely and precious objects is typical of the richness of the Museum that was Narkiss' life's work — a museum that has something of a baroque Art Cabinet and Faust's studib about it, a museum where research was always more important than display, a living museum in short, the true centre of the Capital's art life.

Museum Transfer

One cannot but regret the projected transfer of the Bezalel Museum to the new Kirya. While this project is based on the vision of a future Jerusalem that will have moved to the West and found its centre in the Givat Ram area, who will visit the new Bezalel Museum until the vision has materialised? How many people will walk out of the city for the Saturday openings that are now the most important social gatherings in Jerusalem's art life? Couldn't the Bezalel Museum be left in our midst for the time being, in the heart of what is Jerusalem now and will be Jerusalem for quite some time to come? *TA'AM.*

Habimah Struggles with Brecht

"Habimah" presents "The Visions of Simone Machard" by Bertold Brecht. Hebrew: Nurit Alsed. Directed by Israel Becker. Sets: Yossel Bergner.

BERTOLD Brecht, who died less than two years ago, is one of the important contemporary theatrical figures on the world stage. Like all artists, some of his greatness lies in the fact that he was something of a revolutionary. By this I do not mean his communist sympathy, but rather his approach to the theatre and the methods he used for staging and producing his plays. He was in revolt against many things in the modern theatre, — the deep emotionalism of Stanislavsky, the lush extravagances of Reinhardt, the stark realism and the exaggerated symbolism of many modern theatres. He liked to think of his plays and productions as a sort of epic or narrative realism in which the stage was recognized as a stage and in which his actors were objective enough to give an intellectual force to his poetry and to his philosophy. But over and above his theories of the theatre, Brecht was a dramatist who always wrote arresting plays, no matter what his theories and no matter how much his audience might object to the philosophy he was trying to expound.

Theatre Notes

It can be questioned whether Habimah's production of "The Visions of Simone Machard" is in the Brecht tradition. It would be very difficult indeed for a company trained and steeped in the Stanislavsky Method to throw overboard the traditions of many decades and suddenly turn cool and objective. However, there is enough of the dramatic and the moving in the play and its subject matter to make an interesting production, even though Israel Becker has failed to capture the detachment and objectivity for which Brecht aimed.

"The Visions of Simone Machard" is a modern Joan of Arc story set in France in 1940, at the time when the Germans marched into the country. No one has completely told the history of this unhappy period. Brecht tries to give us an analysis of the factors which made possible this collapse of a great nation. He is not kind to the French and, despite his supposed intellectual detachment, he lets his prejudices run wild.

Simone Machard is a 12-year-old slavey who works in the inn of Henri Soupeau in the small village of Saint-Martin. The innkeeper and his mother are concerned with keeping their business going, no matter what happens to France and her unhappy people. But it is not only the Soupeaus who are selfish and venal. The men who work for them, the refugees who flee before the oncoming German armies, the well-meaning but weak Mayor of Saint-Martin are all much more concerned with their own small interests than they are with the larger interests of their country. Only little Simone, who has been trying to read the story of Joan of Arc given her by the innkeeper, is concerned with saving her country. She is the violence, and in her dreams an angel, who is the spirit of her brother killed in battle, appears and directs her to save at least a portion of the honour of her country by feeding the refugees from the well-stocked hidden storerooms of the inn and by blowing up the petrol dump which could fuel the Germans' tanks. In her vision Simone sees the history of 15th Century France peopled by the characters in the village of Saint-Martin. Simone is finally condemned by her contemporaries and led off to her fate not to a stake, but an insane asylum run by the Catholic Church.

In stipulating that the role of Simone be played by a child, Brecht undoubtedly felt that a good young actress could make of this a highly dramatic part which would carry the audience along completely on a wave of emotion. Leora Rivlin, who plays Simone, is a lovely intelligent child, who might well develop into the type of actress who can hold any audience in the palm of her hand. She manages the long speeches and the highly demanding scenes with a minimum of confusion and seems to understand completely the things she is saying. Meir Margalith, who for years has been Ohel's leading actor, makes the switch-over to Habimah painlessly and gracefully. He effectively plays the part of Henri Soupeau, a smug money-grubber who wants to be a good man so long as his self-interest is not at stake. Shoshana Duer is excellent as old Marie Soupeau, Henri's mother. She represents Fascism—the type of Fascism which Brecht claims ruled the French *petite bourgeoisie*. Yehoshua Bertonov is very effective as one of the workers in the inn. George, a wounded soldier full of self-pity, is well played by Shlomo Bar-Shavit. Pnina Perach, of the lovely voice, plays the angel. Others participating include S. Atzmon, A. Cohen, A. Herzkiayahu, P. Gutmark, T. Dar, E. Gera, Z. Pugitzker, D. Ram, S. Brook, A. Furman, M. Benyamini, and R. Shalk.

Even though Israel Becker shows competence and imagination as a director, Habimah is losing one of its best actors by casting him in the director's role. The settings of Yossel Bergner are exceptionally good. Even though Brecht deserved symbolism, the petrol pump in the dead centre of the stage before which Simone acts her most effective scenes inevitably brings up the picture of the cross which played so important a part in the life of Joan of Arc. Just as added word of carping criticism: Why does Habimah go berserk when confronted with a blonde wig? The entirely superfluous "Gretchen" wig which Simone wears is very inept made.

IDA B. DAVIDOWITZ

Emma Reyes' Israel Work

EMMA Reyes' exhibition, fully reviewed in *The Jerusalem Post* when shown elsewhere in Israel, has now arrived at the Haifa Municipal Museum with the addition of a few fresh pieces. The most important of the latter is "Ein Hod," a pleasing typically stylised oil. Here are the lines of colour unceasingly issuing like spokes from invisible hubs yet held in place by horizontals of colour, because, for this artist, form and colour are synonymous. Here, too, is her favourite green of which I counted five different shades.

The new drawings are all inspired by Cubism. "Tête d'Arabe" is remarkable for its unexpected intensity and strength.

In assessing whether Emma Reyes' work is merely decorative or not, it is first essential to grasp a mental approach hitherto unknown to the Israel public. Is the recurrent bull motif, whose faint flicker lingers in the centre trees of "Ein Hod," simply an idea lifted from Picasso or does it express some inner feeling? How far does the pre-Columbian influence go beyond the depiction of the teeth? All these questions require an answer before a final opinion can be given on what is nevertheless most refined and meticulous painting. *H.*

BRIDGE

A DOUBLE THROW-IN

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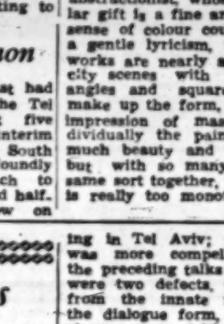


SOUTH dealer, neither side vulnerable. The bidding was:

South	West	North	East
1H	—	—	1S
3H	—	—	—

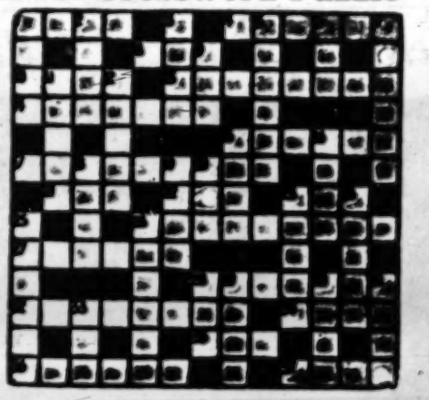
West played the eight of spades, both dummy and East ducked, and South made the king. Two rounds of hearts cleared the adverse trumps and established dummy's eight-spot as a welcome entry card.

But declarer needed two entries in order to set up his clubs. Before we proceed any further, can our readers spot the proper approach to the problem?

South cashed his second spade trick and flipped a diamond on the table with the following words: "Neither of you can lead spades without setting up a trick in dummy. And a club lead is just what I want. So you had better continue the diamonds, bailing them out for me."

Having ruffed the third round of diamonds, declarer continued with the king of clubs. "You cannot well afford to pass it," he said to East, "or else I will enter dummy with a trump and lead another club to make my queen. But having made your ace you will be stuck for a safe return. Your better chance is therefore to return a low club; I shall then be compelled to let this ride to dummy's ten, in the hope that you hold the jack."

Post Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS. — 1. Animal colour. 4. Laid out at the feast? 8. The ass may be full of cocoa! 10. At the highest part. 12. Might she beat Eric to a pulp? 14. Conqueror. 15. Attack. 17. Composer finished off by another. 21. A bad rhyme? How regrettable. 22. Anybody who is single? 23. Rank vehicle? 26. Debt-collector's furniture place? 27. Prince of the village? 28. Mountain flower. 32. Cycle man's flower? 34. Japanese drink. 35. Tiny piece of metal? 36. You don't get a double here. 37. Twelve inches of flesh and bone.

DOWN. — 1. It's a defect. 2. Is gathered absent-mindedly. 3. A cub's island? 4. Straight from Sdom. 6. Keeper of the Tabernacle at Shiloh. 7. Lives in a dignified way. 9. Expensive stone. 11. Do such quarrels make one stiff? 12. Worked at. 13. Coming from a case, may be red or black. 18. Neighbour. 19. Where hard work keeps cropping up? 19. Perhaps nothing but a fight? 20. She has more than just one article. 23. Throws into the water, possibly. 24. As cold as that house you've read about. 25. Little egg products. 26. Just a small point. 29. Lay hands on. 29. One of the women I dote on? 30. Shakespearian villain. 31. As two is to one. 33. Tin canary without a tail.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

ACROSS. — 1. Dish. 4. Plater. 8. Hit. 10. Scud. 13. Chestnut. 14. Car-away. 15. Variet. 17. Doncaster (Rovers). 21. Lea. 22. Tor. 23. Det. 24. Dumbarton (Oaks). 27. Tit-led. 28. Jackdaw. 32. Mushroom. 34. Eaze. 35. Bed. 36. She-rry. 37. Jerk.

DOWN. — 1. Disc. 2. Sour. 3. Mica. 5. Lascar. 6. Tin. 7. Rotate. 9. Thy. 11. Car-ol. 13. Dance. 18. Verb. 16. Loot. 18. Next (please). 19. Stud (farm). 20. Tom (Tom). 23. Drake. 24. Tog-a-s. 25. Stumps. 26. Dearer. 29. Job. 29. Amen. 30. Dale. 31. Week(end). 33. Sue.

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Radio Review

Thinking About Arabs

ABBA Eban was in fine form, by all accounts, when he appeared in London recently. His speech was of course peppered with aphorisms (e.g. "egg-heads of the world are throwing off their yokes"); it also incorporated a notable appeal for a new approach to thinking about the Arabs. He declared:

"It would be tragic if the only Arab image in the Israeli mind were that of the enemy in battle or the bitter adversary in the international council chamber. We must superimpose another image — of a rich, creative Arab culture, a language of majesty and power, a kinship with us in Middle Eastern history and the absolute compulsion — however much they may now deny it — of a future to be shared with us in peace."

This thinking is refreshing and has many corollaries, but to confine ourselves to radio, it is fair to ask what sort of contribution Israel radio is making to the approach advocated by Mr. Eban, in a small way, the situation has improved in the last couple of years with the broadcast of a number of serious talks dealing with Arab culture. The drawback is that they have appeared in the framework of the egg-heads' series "Science Studio," and have made no impact on the mass-audience programmes. The news bulletins supply only the political developments; the newsreel has not heard of our neighbours since we stopped crossing the borders from time to time; nowhere is there real information on how the Arabs live, their economic and cultural progress, and so on. The only feature trying to fill this gap is Galei Zahal's "In the Crescent" but this is presented precisely from the viewpoint which Eban so rightly opposes; sneer in voice and writing, with all Arabs appearing as caricatures. All this takes us into a blind alley, and whether our future lies in the Middle East or the Mediterranean, there is nothing to be gained by this fundamentally silly approach which so unnecessarily veils all but the negative aspects of life in the Arab lands.

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THE series "Theatre Evenings" has launched a capsule history of the drama in monthly instalments written by Glora Manor. Jumping rapidly over the dark era, the second programme took us to the medieval mystery cycles. The historical aspect was presented in the familiar dialogue form with the inevitable Socratic know-all answering the predictable questions of his stooge. I fully appreciate the desire to break up talks or speeches by presenting them as dialogues, but the result is phoney, especially when the participants are all such familiar voices (often announcers). There may be no successful alternative and this method may be the least evil, but I find it artificial and unsatisfactory. The subject-matter on this occasion was excellent, and the actual performance — "The Binding of Isaac" from the Chester cycle — was extremely moving.

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MONDAY evening's "Week at the Cinema" started with a long-winded appreciation of a Russian film and followed this up with another overlong appraisal of the Bolshoi Ballet film.

An experiment was introduced by the film critic Joseph Szrych in writing a film criticism in dialogue form. The subject was the new Rene Clair film now showing in Tel Aviv; the result was more compelling than the preceding talks but there were two defects. One came from the innate nature of the dialogue form, as in the above case (although the construction and performance here were somewhat superior to those in the dramatic feature); the other was the esoteric nature of the contents for anyone not having seen the film.

PICK OF NEXT WEEK'S LISTENING: Mozart's "Titus" (today at 5.05); Talk on radio-activity (Sun. at 6.30); Programme on Martin Buber (Sun. at 10.15); Music by Yitzhak Edel (Mon. at 8); Wilde's "Canterville Ghost" (Mon. at 9.30); Premiere of Yoseph Tal's Piano Concerto No. 3 (Tues. at 9.15); Dartos Milhaud feature (Weds. at 8.50); Colombian folk songs (Thurs. at 10.30).

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ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
527, 368, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.35, 7.00 & 7.55 a.m., 1.30, 4.00, 7.00, 9.00, 11.00 p.m. Tomorrow: 6.30 a.m., 1.30, 7.00, 9.00 and 11 p.m. English: 1.45 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

TODAY

6.30 Service. 6.37 Calisthenics. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 12.00 N. Lunchtime Music. Soloist: Lucienne Delile (Vocalist). 12.30 Oriental Songs. 12.45 Sephardic Tunes. 1.00 Symphonic Dances. 3.15 Yemenites Programme. 3.30 Kabbalat Shabbat. 4.00 Youth Corner. 4.30 News in English, Swedish & Spanish and a light music programme. 5.05 Opera: "Titus" (Mozart) — Act I. 6.00 Bible Reading. 6.10 Israel Songs. 6.30 Dates and Anniversaries Programme. 7.15 We Present Tonight. 7.30 The Week through the eyes of the writer. 7.30 Light Music. 8.00 Our Political Front. 8.10 Programme on Gustav Mahler. 8.40 Light Classical Music. 9.15 Friday Evening Concert: Symphony in A. (Boccherini); Concerto for Harpsichord & Small Orchestra (Frank Martin); "Enigma" Variations (Elgar). 10.30 Bedtime Music. 11.10 Close Down.

TOMORROW

7.30 a.m. Service and Morning Melodies. 8.45 Shabbat Morning Concert: Symphony No. 32 in B-flat-major, K. 319 (Mozart); "Sebastian" Ballet Suite (Mignotti). 9.30 "New Inventions." 9.45 Pleasant Tunes. 10.00 Musical Quiz. 10.30 Literary Corner. 11.00 Popular Concert — "Coq d'or" Suite (Rimsky-Korsakov). 11.50 "Curtain Up"—"The Strange & Queer." 12.30 Requests (R). 1.00 "Theatre and Screen." 4.00 Chamber Music — Quartet for Flute & Strings (Mozart); String Quartet (Kaminsky). 4.45 Cantoral Recordings. 5.15 Art and Culture. 5.40 Light Music by K.Y. Orchestra. 6.00 "Science Studio" — "Refugees as an International Problem" — 2nd in a Series of Talks by Devora Kaplan. 6.15 March Rhythm. 6.30 Light Classical Music. 7.15 "Guests in the Studio." 7.30 "Hamavdil & Melave Malka." 8.00 Quiz — Sh. Rosen. 8.50 Variety. 9.45 Bible Reading: Psalms. Chaps. 121-134. 9.10 Sport. 9.15 Classical Request Programme — Suite No. 2 in B-minor (Bach); Piano Concerto No. 3 in C-minor op. 37 (Beethoven). 10.15 "Ten Years Ago." 10.30 Dance Music.

SECOND PROGRAMME
421, 468, 293.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: Today: 6.00 Light Music. 6.30 Concert Preview. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Hebrew Lesson. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English. Tomorrow: 6.00 Folk Tunes. Music from Films & Shows. French. 7.00 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Moroccan. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
467 & 41.07 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): Today & Tomorrow — 6.30—7.15 a.m. 1.15—3.15 and 5.30—8.45 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.2 M.): Programme to South Africa: Today: 6.30 News. 6.40 "From the Jewish World." 6.45 Sabbath Programme. 7.00 Hebrew Feature "For Sabbath Eve." 7.15 Yiddish. Tomorrow: 6.30 News. 6.40 Editorial Opinion. 6.50 The Week in the Knesset. 7.00 Melaveh Malka. 7.15 Yiddish.

Programme for the U.K. Today: 11.30 News. 11.40 Editorial Opinion. 11.55 "Ten Years Ago." 12.00 Sabbath Programme. Tomorrow: 11.30 News. 11.45 The Week in the Knesset. 11.55 "Coming to Israel." Midnight: Melaveh Malka.

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.8, 216, 235 & 285 M.): Today: 6.30 Opening. 6.55 Request Programme. 7.00 News. 7.10 Greeting the Sabbath. 7.30 The Week in Israel and in the World. 7.40 Songs of the Nations. 8.00 Friday Night Concert: Works by Bach & Mozart. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Entertainment Boat" — Musical Show. 10.00 Dance Music. Tomorrow: 6.30 Opening. 6.35 "The Night Following Shabbat." 7.00 News. 7.15 "Jazz Club." 7.45 "Folk Dances." 8.00 Tunes from Broadway and Hollywood. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (13.89, 16.84 & 24.80 M.): 7.15—7.45 p.m. Today: News. News Talk. British Album. Tomorrow: News. News Talk. Contact Programme. Review of the Weekly British Press.

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4. Horeb Secondary School, King George Ave., Tel. 8214.
5. Alice Seligsberg Secondary Vocational School (Hadassah), Rehov Hativat Kosk, Tel. 5400.
6. Mizrahi Boys Secondary School (attached to the R. M. Lipshutz State Religious Teachers Training Seminary), 17 Rehov Hillel, Tel. 3048.
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9. Cremieux Gymnasium, 5 Alliance Street, Tel. 5034.
10. Hagymnasia Haivrit B'Yerushalayim, Rehavia, Rehov Keren Kayemet, Tel. 2131.
11. Government Religious Women Teachers and Kindergarteners Seminar; Ptveta Girls Secondary School, 1/62 Rehov Ben Yagonia, Ba'aka, Tel. 3745.

THE UNSEEING EYES

By Elisabeth Partridge

"WHAT happens to a blind woman in India?" asked the man with the shining grey eyes in a New Delhi hotel. "You see, in Pakistan, she can always become a second or third wife. But in India, where most men have only one wife, what future has she?" Mr. John Wilson has been blind since he was 13, though you would never think it from his deft movements and confidence. He is the 37-year-old Director of the Commonwealth Society for the Blind, now on a round-the-world tour to find out what more can be done to help the Commonwealth's three and a half million sightless — two million of whom are in India alone. Mr. Wilson is visiting Pakistan, India, Malaya and Australia, then concluding his tour with visits to Canada and the U.S.

"Normally I travel alone, even in rugged places like Africa," he said, "but this time I've brought my wife because she can approach the women who are in purdah." He indicated his wife — in and out of the room as she packed for the next leg on their journey, a pretty fair-haired girl with an open smile, who has left her two daughters behind in Britain in the care of her mother.

Wilson is an extraordinarily independent man, quiet-voiced but incisive and obviously impatient with cloying sentiment about the handicapped. In fact he doesn't really consider himself handicapped. "They say a blind man can do everything but see," he said, "It should be, a blind man can do anything his community will let him — which means training. I was lucky enough to be educated at the Worcester College for the Blind in Britain, the finest in the world," he added.

His society organises 87 schools and training centres and its medical teams have treated 27 million people in the last five years. Supporting it are grants from the governments of 30 countries and from the society's London headquarters, its humane work spreads out over many millions of square miles. In Africa, for instance, there is a scheme whereby the blind — some 1,200 of them — are given farm training. "Usually it's only a question of restoring their confidence," said Wilson, expertly packing tobacco into his pipe. But in Africa he found another acute problem. "Many of the blind there suffer also from leprosy which dulls their sense of touch."

Wilson does not agree that the blind can take only to a few professions. "Given training, they can do almost any work, though there are limitations of course. I've never heard of a blind artist, have you?" he asked with a smile in his eyes. He took to his present work for the handicapped in 1946. "I felt I must do some humanitarian work after all the misery the war had inflicted on people," he told me without affectation.

Where India is concerned, Wilson is a little overwhelmed at the thought of the size of the problem — but he is not down-hearted. He believes much can be done through the Community Project scheme, which covers most of rural India and which tries to introduce a higher standard of living the hard, democratic way through friendly persuasion. "What we must avoid is the foreign expert who comes to the under-developed countries and sets up a centre such as he has been operating in a big city such as London or Rome. Everything must be adapted to the individual needs of each country, of course."

Wilson seems to "see" more than most visitors through his heightened sense of hearing and touch. "To me sounds convey the individuality of a place," he said. "For instance, I've 'seen' the Victoria Falls and Niagara. To a normal man perhaps all waterfalls look alike but to me each had a distinct personality of its own. I found my description of them was not much different from what other people told me they'd seen." In fact he finds blindness "only a minor nuisance."

In this he recalls the famous Dr. Helen Keller, blind and deaf but gloriously undefeated. When she visited India some two years back, I watched her sensitive fingertips run over the cool inlaid marble of the Taj Mahal. She rejoiced in it for several minutes, then turned round with a radiant and beautiful face. To her silent seeing companions, she then gave the best description I've ever heard of this monument to a great love. "The Taj Mahal is like frozen moonlight," she murmured. There were few present who had dry eyes.

Handicraft exhibition prepared by the elementary school pupils of Baka el Gharbiya in the Little Triangle, to show the development of the village during the past ten years being viewed by the Military Governor, Noam Tal, in the presence of a local notable and a police officer. The exhibition, opened on Tuesday by the Chairman of the Local Council, Mr. Sakkhai Abdulla, will remain on view for three weeks.

Diary of A Housewife

By Hadassah Bat Haim

OUR arrival in London coincides with the worst blizzard experienced there in about 40 years. All our friends tell us that this is ordered specially for us so that we may observe the contrast and enjoy the change. Head of the House, who has been talking largely about how wonderful it is to get out of the heat, falls strangely silent. He shrinks as far as possible into his overcoat, with only his red nose and watery eyes exposed to the icy wind that somehow always manages to blow into our faces no matter which way we are going. Tell a lot of people, who obviously don't believe me, that my children are going swimming at this time. Can hardly believe it myself.

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HAD been looking forward to hearing English spoken all round me so that I could indulge in my favourite occupation of listening to other people's conversations, a pleasure denied to me at home owing to lack of linguistic ability. However, when we sit at the theatre and hear Polish, German, Hungarian, and Hindi all round us, we come to the conclusion that there aren't any natives left in London. Outside, as we wander desperately up and down looking for a bus, a young man apparently attracted by the Israel flag in my lapel (which his keen Sabra eye discerns beneath several layers of snow) dashes up to us and fires off a number of questions in very rapid Hebrew. After some time, we gather, between the chattering of all our teeth, that he is also looking for a bus, and have to tell him sadly that we are strangers there ourselves.

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TRAVELLING by bus is one of our major pleasures — only five standing and the conductor calls you "dearie." The "tube," I find, loses its savour after the first five miles of walking through underground passages and riding up and down escalators. Am sure Son would love it and wish heartily that he were here to do it.

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HAVE no doubt that in three days, when we leave for Paris on our way home, the English spring will relent, there will probably be an unseasonable heat wave, and Paris will undergo its worst weather in a hundred years. I think with longing of the beach at Nahariya, take a fresh supply of paper handkerchiefs and pity the Island folks.

A.I.D. For the Childless

By Dr. Arthur Michaels

IS it possible for a woman to have a child by a man other than her husband and not be guilty of adultery? Yes it is, at least in England, according to a recent ruling by the High Court of Justice. The case came about in the following way. A childless couple had drifted apart and the woman felt that a child would give her the emotional satisfaction that was lacking in her marriage. To this end she went to a doctor specializing in artificial insemination, pretended that her husband agreed and was fertilized artificially with seed from an unknown donor. The trouble started when her husband sued for divorce on the grounds of adultery but this plea was refused as it could not be shown that there had been sexual relations with another man.

This decision has created a considerable stir in legal circles as a Chicago Judge in 1956 ruled that artificial insemination constituted adultery whether the husband consented or not. In Western Germany, the medical profession has rejected artificial insemination as unethical but a New York Supreme Court Judge recently ruled that a baby produced by this means is identical to a baby legally adopted by the parents.

This legal and moral furor is, of course, confined to those cases where the artificial insemination is by a donor, or A.I.D. There are very many cases where the husband is potent but his seed is not concentrated enough or is chemically unsuited to permit of fertilization. Under these conditions, the doctor may concentrate or chemically treat the sperm and inject them into the wife.

This process of artificial insemination by the husband (A.I.H.) is widely practised in many countries and has never given rise to criticism on the part of the law or of the church. When the husband is incapable of begetting a child yet does not wish to prevent his wife from having her own baby — rather than adopting one — the moral, religious and legal factors step in. The rules of procedure are very strict but have been drawn up by the doctors and not by the courts.

There is usually a panel of donors who are themselves fathers of children and who are healthy in every way. This is vouched for by the doctor who performs the injection but on no account may the parents know the identity of the donor, for this might lead to legal complications in case of a change of heart on the part of the husband. It is customary to limit the use of any one donor to five or six successful instances in the same community. Otherwise there is the potential danger of genetic upsets as a result of marriages between people who are related without their knowledge. The arrangement is usually dependent on the couple and the doctor, the husband's permission being obtained in writing beforehand.

In the U.S. there may or may not be legal complications depending on the State, while in Switzerland the child has to be accepted as the natural child of the parents. In Israel, as in the Scandinavian countries, there is no legalization and the religious authorities have, so far, not interfered, so that this extremely private matter may still be arranged without fear of publicity.

Daffodils and Conferences

By Gerda L. Cohen

THE daffodils are blooming in Regents Park — and it's the conference season for all varieties of British Zionists, who try to get through their agendas before Passover and the turmoil of Easter come together. Braving icy roads and the worst blizzard in a decade, 300 delegates of the Women's Zionist Federation travelled from all parts of the British Isles to London last week, for their annual conference. They represent 16,000 ladies who maintain their organization much more efficiently than do the menfolk.

The conference report revealed an astonishing tempo of activity, ranging from the lavish banquet where wives bring their husbands, to the continuous collection of equipment for Israel, and jumble sales where the charladies of Kilburn unwittingly contribute their pennies to the latest WIZO creche.

The conference allots a fund-raising quota to each group; this gets larger every year, and is strictly upheld. About half of it is dedicated to the Jerusalem Baby Home, and half to the upkeep of other WIZO projects. The total quota for the current year, reckoned by the Hebrew calendar, is £185,000, almost all of which will be raised in small sums by a multitude of gatherings.

Unlike the husbands' counterpart organization, the Women's Federation is the social focus in minor communities: from Merthyr Tidfyl to Wolverhampton, in Eire and the Highlands, the tea-parties and lectures combat loneliness and give a sense of purpose which many people in this country are vainly looking for. To honour the 'Tenth,' an all-in, all-time tour has been arranged which will probably give blisters to the participants and make them doubt that Israel is renowned for its small area. Besides encouraging tourism this year, the FWZ is well ahead with plans for its own celebrations. In fact, the plethora of pageants, mass rallies, speeches, banquets and solemn services due to be held throughout the United Kingdom, will undoubtedly sate the communal appetite until the silver jubilee.

No Frills In Diplomacy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"OUR life is not all cocktail parties, receptions and addressing public gatherings," Miss Margaret Meagher, Charge d'Affaires of Canada in Israel, told the Wizo dinner club in Tel Aviv on Tuesday. "These are only the frills surrounding the hard routine work that makes up the substance of our life." She was speaking on the role of women in the Canadian diplomatic service — emphasizing that the same promotion possibilities lay ahead of them as their male colleagues, if they showed equal ability.

Miss Meagher, who helped create this situation for women as Assistant with the Foreign Service during World War II at a time when no one saw the employment of women as anything more than a wartime stopgap, has served in Mexico (where she was incidentally unofficial Naval Attache among her other tasks), at Colombo Plan headquarters and behind the scenes at the 1954 Geneva Conference. Miss Meagher is one of the 30 women in the Foreign Service, half that number being in senior grades.

Conventional Swim Suits Back

A PREVIEW of the bathing costumes that will be seen on the beaches in a few weeks was presented this week at a dry "bathing beauty" fashion parade held by the L.M. Kovac Co. of Tel Aviv in the Lydda airport dining hall — because plans to stage it in a K.L.M. plane were foiled by that airline's strike. As the Dutch airliner did not arrive, the parade came down to firm ground.

Mr. Kovac's bathing suit inspirations were for the most part a return to prebikini days, but not so far back as the "grandmother sea suit" craze of last season. They promise tanned shoulders, back and legs but revealed no midriff. All the creations were one-piece elastic suits, seen on Israel's beaches for a good many summers. All, except one suit, were strapless and with few frills. Variety came in colour, with pastel pinks, turquoise and pale blue favourites.

The costume that was quite easily the favourite of the onlookers was a creation named "Hawaii." The white and beige suit was so named because it had an easily detachable "Hula" pleated skirt. It was also the only costume with shoulder straps, thus retaining something of the puritan grandmother look.

"Lola" is a white suit with red vertical stripes and slanting pockets, which makes a very attractive costume for beachwear.

Another five-star model was the "Vespa," the nearest thing to a page boy suit for a beach. Scarlet with a white front, the costume has big buttons for front adornment and is not tight about the legs. The black and green "Luxor" and grey "Petita" were smart but staid creations.

L.M.K. exports costumes to 17 countries, earnings reaching about $100,000 last year. Mr. Kovac told us. In Israel shops the price tags will range from IL.25 to IL.40, he said. Israel could best compete on the international market with its elastic bathing costumes. Elastics are now regaining prestige from the cloth suits which, though striking, do not take to water so well, Mr. Kovac said.

P. K.

Humus in London

Jerusalem Post Reporter

London has Chinese, Indian, Pakistani, Hungarian, Polish, Italian, Mexican, Danish, Dutch, French, Spanish and various other kinds of restaurants. Now Israel has joined the cosmopolitan gourmet's itinerary with a modest establishment on the bus-ticket-carpeted way to Marble Arch, famed for its high-heeled barrow boys and blue-nosed costermongers.

An enterprising Yemenite of Aden education will serve you *humus*, *kebab*, and an ersatz kind of *tchina*. The latter, incidentally, has long been available at a Soho delicatessen shop — imported in jars, from Egypt.

The Yemenite won't bother to advertise, as the grapevine has already got to work among some 100 of the Israel student colony.

PEN FRIENDS

ISAK de RIDDER, 20, of 375-24th Avenue, Villieria, Pretoria, South Africa, is fond of writing to people in other countries. His interests are music, sports and drama, and he would like to have a pen friend in Israel.

Strawberries Are Luscious

By Molly Bar-David

GROWERS of strawberries are about the hardest-working women I know: harvests have to be picked, sorted and packed once every day and sometimes more often. It's a back-breaking job in the hot sun, wearying to the point of exhaustion. And then, poor girl, she has to market all her *finest* fruit! Result: out here I get enquiries for good economical recipes for jam, to use up the culls and the undersize berries. This is a query I get by mail very often, too, year after year, and so for my producing friends, here you are!

In jam making it is usual to use an equal weight of sugar for fruit. But if you add salt you can save up to half the amount of sugar! For every kilo of fruit, therefore, add a teaspoonful of salt and half a kilo of sugar if you want to save sugar. But you must let the fruit stand a few weeks before using, for only by then is it possible for the salt not to be detected.

If you have honey on your farm, you can substitute half the weight of honey for the same weight of sugar.

Strawberry Preserves (Usual recipe)

Select large, sound strawberries if you can. Otherwise use what you have. Wash them carefully before removing the hulls. Place the berries and sugar — each of equal weight — in alternate layers in a preserving pot, and let it stand overnight. In the morning place the mixture on the stove, let it come to the boil, cool steadily for 15 minutes or until the fruit is clear. Remove from stove. Cover and let it stand over night. In the morning put in jars.

Strawberry Bavarian Cream

This is absolutely, positively, the best dessert I have ever had!

1 pkg. strawberry jelly powder, ¼ cup cold milk, 3 egg yolks, ¼ cup sugar, pinch of salt, ¼ cup scalded milk, 1 cup mashed strawberries, 1 jar cream, whipped, 1 tsp. vanilla.

Mix jelly powder in cold milk. Now beat yolks, sugar and salt together until light. Add scalded milk and mix well. Add mashed berries and mix well. Cook in double boiler over hot water, stirring all the time until mixture coats a silver spoon. Add jelly powder mixture and stir until dissolved. Set in pan of cold water and stir until it begins to thicken. Add vanilla and fold in whipped cream. Turn into a mould which has been dipped in cold water. Chill until firm.

This dessert is worth double the trouble it takes to make it!

Strawberries and Cream

Most folks out here whip sugar and flavour sweet cream to eat with strawberries. This is not half as good as the American way of serving this fruit. Cut the berries and sugar them well. Let them stand for half an hour or more. Then pour over them sweet cream thinned with a little milk. Add bananas if you wish.

Strawberry Mousse

This is a kind of strawberry ice cream. Bring two cups of berries to boiling point and then put through a sieve. Whip two cups of sweet cream with half a cup powdered sugar and one-eighth of a teaspoonful of salt. Add berries and a teaspoonful of vanilla and mix well. Chill and freeze. This makes one-and-a-half litres of Mousse.

Strawberry-Cheese Salad

There are two ways of making Strawberry Cheese Salads. The dessert one is to mix sliced sugared berries with whipped cottage cheese to which sour cream, sugar and vanilla have been added. The other one, which is a salad course (or may also be taken as a savoury dessert with crackers) is thus, and don't let the ingredients astound you!

2 cups best cottage cheese, 2 cups sliced strawberries, 2 tbsps. honey French dressing (made of equal parts oil, honey, pinch of salt and lemon juice — half the amount of the oil, all beaten together), ½ cup mayonnaise mixed with whipped cream (half and half).

Mix berries with cheese and French dressing. Put on lettuce and cover with mayonnaise.

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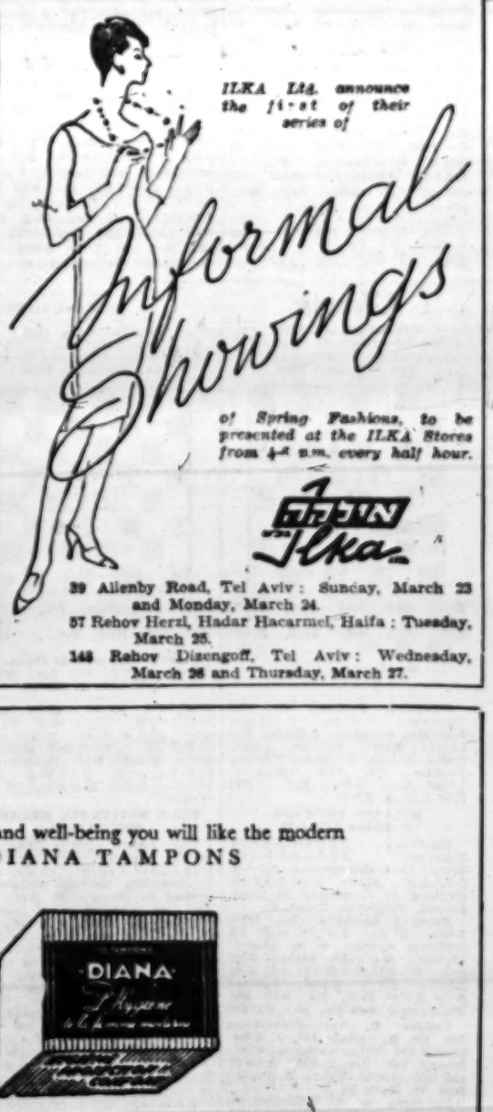

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LONDON LETTER

By MEIR MINDLIN

THE GREEK FLAVOUR

THIS last week has had a pervasive Greek flavour, for wherever we turned in the theatre, the message was couched in Greek myth. It started with a televised version of Jean Giraudoux's *Amphitryon 38* in S.N. Behrman's excellent translation, which is very nicely suited for the medium since it makes all its points through the witty dialogue, and godly appearances and disappearances can be worked so much more neatly than on the stage. It also set the tone for all the other pieces with its mockery of masculine pretensions and war-making, which in turn dovetailed with the undergraduate and "victory-for-socialism" agitation for the unilateral British surrender of the H-bomb. It will be recalled that in Giraudoux's version of the story (the 38th re-working of the myth by his reckoning) Alkmena is such a faithful, loving wife to her Amphitryon, that when Zeus becomes enamoured of her, she almost outwits the god's attempts to manoeuver himself into her bed, reducing him to the stratagem of appearing in the form of her husband. By being too clever by half (she gets the visiting Leda to substitute for her but her husband really comes instead) she gets herself cuckolded and also conceives Herakles. Nevertheless, it is her womanly charm (nicely put across by Googie Withers) which wins the day, and Zeus' pretensions that are blunted.

Passes Censor

The only real Greek play in our batch is Aristophanes' *Lysistrata*, and I would never have thought that this wonderfully bawdy old play would ever get past the Lord Chamberlain's censure, but there it is, and quite uncut. It also happens to be a very good and stageworthy play, and the original Old Comedy song and dance intervals have been retained, though set to modern Greek folk-motifs (which sound shockingly banalized). But the subject is above all extremely topical. The play was written and produced in the midst of the Peloponnesian War, and Lysistrata, an Athenian matron, tries to stop the carnage (which also keeps the men away for much of the year) by organizing both Athenian and Spartan women to refuse their men access to their beds. (Cambridge University women seem to have taken a cue from Lysistrata, and refuse to go out with male students who don't sign the anti-H-bomb petition.) The play is brightly staged, and at times it seems as if an old Greek vase has come to life. Its chief asset is Joan Greenwood, whose fruity, throaty voice is enough to make any man want to come home.

The newest play in our batch is Benn W. Levy's *Rape of the Belt*, which is an interpretation of Herakles' Ninth Labour — the task of acquiring the fabulous belt belonging to Antiope, Queen of the Amazons. The essentially male, blustering, aggressive and irascible Herakles is accompanied by a wily and charming Theseus, but when they come to Amazonia, they do not find what they expect. Through their acquaintance with the two queens, Antiope (played by Constance Cummings, the author's wife) and Hippolyte (Kay Hammond — both queens are excellently acted) they gradually learn the meaning of the Amazons' matriarchy: the their military fame is the result of Hippolyte's astute propaganda campaign — they have never lost a battle because they have never fought one. Furthermore, as Herakles and his Athenian companion learn to their horror, male babies are drowned, and only a few men are kept on a stud farm for breeding; thus the feminine temperament reigns supreme at Themiscyra. Aggressively offering battle at first for possession of the belt, the Greeks are progressively charmed and fall in love with their respective opposite numbers, setting up a conflict between their duty to destiny and their subtly changing characters. No opportunity is missed to satirize the masculine military values and virtues when set against the prevalent humane and amorous atmosphere of Amazonia. The plot is kept boiling by the respective intervention of Zeus (Herakles' father) and his jealous wife Hera, and this is very cleverly integrated into the play: on either side, high up in the wings there is a small dark alcove, in one of which there is a live bust of Zeus, in the other of his virago wife, Hera, and they feud and quip at each other convincingly and most amusingly.

Having raised and developed his problem intelligently and very interestingly in his first two acts, Mr. Levy shirks a proper denouement by shaking out a bag of (admittedly ingenious) theatrical tricks in his third. This includes an almost literal *deus ex machina*, when Hera comes off her pedestal to inhabit Hippolyte's body, and in order to make trouble for Herakles and his men, puts the Amazons on a real war footing, with all the humorous possibilities extracted from giving women close-order drill, and the change in Hippolyte's character, for she was a sleepy-headed "dumb blonde" type before.

In the end Herakles gets the belt after spending the night with Antiope, but he is changed, more subtle and subdued, more aware of complexity and ambiguity; Antiope surrenders the belt (of innocence and purity, I suppose) willingly, for she has forfeited the Eden-quality of Amazonia of her own free will. But the fireworks of the last act have somewhat obscured the point of the play, though it's there. John Clements, who also directed, does an excellent job as Herakles, for which he has the physique, while showing himself amenable to enlightenment. Judging from these three plays, English production tempo seems a bit slow, and a tightening up would have a salutary effect.

Not for Israel

I found myself wondering if comedy of this sort were possible in our theatre (always assuming that we produced a real playwright). Not on a Greek theme, of course, for one cannot presume in our audience the familiarity with the classic myths that one can take for granted in England. Take a Biblical subject — Samson and Delilah — and start conjecturing about what really happened. Delilah not really wanting to cut his hair at all because of a half-interest in a flea farm, and Samson bullying her into it because he wanted it cut short in the latest Philistine style; the lion had died a natural death, etc. But it probably couldn't be done. The whole effect of an English treatment of a Greek mythical theme is obtained by the contrast between libidinal Olympian wilfulness and the manners and conventions of polite English society; we don't yet have a set of social conventions to set off some other scheme of things (Biblical or otherwise) for comic purposes.

Before closing I should mention that Peter Ustinov's new play, *Paris Not So Gay*, just produced in Oxford (and which I have not yet seen) is also a reworking of a Greek myth: the point about Helen was not her promiscuity, but her fidelity — she only took to Paris because of his resemblance to her husband Menelaus. Furthermore, the debunking element is there too: the Trojan War ended in compromise, and the hostilities were invented by Homer. It is still a bit early to say whether these pacifist proclivities are an accidental concatenation of plays and ploys, or a real social (Weimarish?) trend.

LUDWIG JONAS: BATHERS (etching). From the memorial exhibition of the artist's work opening tomorrow, March 22, at the Nora Gallery, Jerusalem.

JORDAN'S DILEMMA

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF JORDAN. A Report of a Mission of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. 487 pp. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press. $7.50.

THE report of the eight U.N. economic experts who spent seven months in Jordan investigating the economic situation could hardly have been published at a more appropriate time. The most striking feature in this extensive work (the first economic survey of its kind since Konikov's "Transjordan," 1946) is the extent to which its sound recommendations have been rejected by Amman.

The Jordan authorities have decided to share in the economic adventure of rebuilding the Hedjaz Railway to Medina, although the world's best experts had advised her only recently against such a step. Also, Jordan will spend money and time on the operation of a potash pilot project on the northern tip of the Dead Sea instead of starting right away with full-scale production as recommended by the U.N. experts.

Instead of facilitating free access to the Holy Places and encouraging tourism, as recommended by the International Bank's report, Jordan makes matters increasingly difficult for tourists who wish to cross into the Old City via Mandelbaum Gate.

The report reveals the basic facts of Jordan's economic dilemma. The merger of Arab Palestine with Transjordan in 1949 increased the population of the Hashemite Kingdom by 200 per cent.

There seem to be only two alternatives:

(a) to divert a great part of the defence budget to investment and implement such major schemes as the Johnson Jordan River project;

b) to plan an organized emigration of Jordan's surplus population manpower, similar to Egypt's attempts to deal with her own overflow population. Unemployment is already above the 60,000 figure, and is expected by U.N. experts to exceed 100,000 by 1965.

GIDEON WEIGERT

In the Struggle For Jewish Rights

IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. By Isaac Lewin. 148 pp. New York: Bloch. $2.75.

THIS book is of historic importance in so far as it records documentarily a number of struggles in which world Jewry is deeply involved. Included in this collection of Dr. Lewin's addresses before various United Nations bodies are his "Defense of the Jewish Method of Slaughtering Animals" and his scathing address "Against the Insertion of a Blank Day in the Calendar." Of topical interest to us in Israel should be his address, "Discrimination in Worship," where a photo of the Wailing Wall, which appeared in the "New York Times" of December 26, 1956, is reproduced together with the caption: "A recent visitor to the Jordanian sector of Jerusalem was startled to notice an Arabic political poster pasted to the Wailing Wall. The Wailing Wall, sacred to the Jews, is in the Old City near the Mosque of Omar..." The author protests not only against this desecration of Jewish sanctity, but also against the discrimination against the Jewish religion in the refusal of Jordan to admit members of the Jewish faith to this time-hallowed site.

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ON GOD AND ART

By GEOFFREY GRIGSON

ART IN CRISIS. By Hans Sedlmayr. London: Hollis and Carter. 35/.

PIOUS academics are apt to insist upon a norm of art which was yesterday, and may be again tomorrow (if artists will do what they are told) but which doesn't exist in our own degenerate day. Dr. Sedlmayr appears one of them. Since he is an art historian in Germany, and since this book has had a spanking success in Germany, and since it comes from Munich, where the Nazis had their House of German Art, readers from elsewhere may open it a little suspiciously.

Art, not of a strict now, but of two centuries, is examined for a progressive disease indicating a deeper disease. Art comes to the doctor's couch, strips and lies down. Behind the screen she overhears a consultation, in which the vocables, God, Berdyaev and Spengler are whispering ("Not quite, Mr. Spengler." "Oh, yes, Mr. Berdyaev"). Then the doctor's analysis goes this way.

Art, once upon a time, produced the Composite Architectural Art Work—the Temple, the Cathedral; later the Landscape Garden, the Museum as Temple of the Muses, the Theatre. The Composite Art Work disintegrated. Individual arts fought for independence and purity—absolute painting, absolute sculpture, absolute this and that. In a drama of disintegration Pure Arts declined into mere individual isolated works; and into Sub-Art.

These point to what? To Autonomous Man and Sub-Man — Man trying to be Pure Man; signifying in turn a descent from God to a pure essence of deity, which became no deity.

There is a way in which Dr. Sedlmayr is like our own Mr. Eliot. You think you have caught him in some too dubious statement, but he slips away in a qualification which may be still further and further qualified until only the frown of the Cheshire Cat remains. His only method appears such a qualification. He claims that his book is not dealing with Art, but using art to deal with Man. Dr. Sedlmayr is a professor of art; and though he might protest, I discover, as I read, two things behind this inversion. One is the scream against "modern art," the other is that same scream not managing to hide its old Nazi elements.

Dr. Sedlmayr is too clever to scream; and he invokes God instead of *unser Volk*. But the English publisher takes at least half of my view. He changes Dr. Sedlmayr's rather sly title, "The Lost Centre: Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Art as Symptom and Symbol of the Age" into "Art in Crisis." Searching and Provocative! the jacket screams. Chaos! Chimpanzees! Is Modern Art a joke?

If the other half is more damaging, Dr. Sedlmayr does have a case which invites argument. He unpacks it. Man has lost God; Art, like Man, has lost God-in-Man. "Autonomous man does not and cannot exist." "It is of the essence of man that he should be both natural and super-natural." If you ask why, Dr. Sedlmayr's answers are simply "because I say so" or "because Berdyaev says so." And if he doesn't say the West has declined irremediably, he does assume that God must be found again; which he qualifies by a qualified pessimism. Perhaps we shall reverse our descent. Who knows? Perhaps we shan't. All we can do is to examine our situation clearly, honestly.

THE odd thing, though, is this taking of God for granted, which is neither inevitable nor honest. Dr. Sedlmayr is right simply about the loss of God. Art and ourselves may be in a predicament. But why must the recovery of God be the solution?

I find the worst in this skilful book—historicism and holding up a captured catastrophe by its hind legs, and a provincial refusal to admit the evidence about art and man provided by psychology and anthropology and much else. I am not so sure of the parallelism between states of art and states of society; and I do not believe in the superior virtue of things in their original or primal condition. Still, if you want to say "I knew that modern art was tosh" (i.e. art-bolshevism), here is a drug to make you feel respectable about such a dogma.

The best things about a sly, obscurantist, slightly demented book are occasional scraps of analysis, and occasional perceptions and illuminations coming fresh to us out of that Expressionism in which Dr. Sedlmayr must have learnt his art.

Round the Bookshops

Hebrew ...

L'imi (To My Mother, collected and edited by Yosef Nedava, Hadar, IL5.500) was earmarked for mention on "Mother's Day" (February 22 this year, though why every day in the year should not be mother's day is beyond me). So we're a bit late, but not too late to mention that this anthology sketches the Jewish mother through the ages, from the beginnings of time to the present, with her joys and sorrows, her love and devotion, her pity and concern, and her dreams and hopes. Making the selections from ancient Jewish sources and the works of modern Hebrew writers was not an easy operation and "sins of omission" can easily be pointed out. Suffice it to say that Nedava has done his best to exhaust as nearly as possible a well-nigh inexhaustible subject.

Yehoshua Bar-Yosef, the blond-bearded Hebrew writer who for the past 20 years has been showing us various aspects of Jewish life in the Holy Land, admits that there is no such place as Beit Rimmon (but does not admit there is not likely to be one) and that it is wholly of his own invention. But the individuals he peoples this imaginary place with are types he has come across (most of us probably also have, but Bar-Yosef has only proved himself keener in noticing them). **Anshei Beit Rimmon** (The Beit Rimmon People, Amihai, IL4.500) is an array of stories dealing with Israel provincialism, with the author expertly carving the various characters who make up this provincial world.

The generations of Noah are given in David Pinsky's incisive study of **Beit Noah Edon** (From the Yiddish by Shimshon Meltzer, Am Oved, IL0.600, with an introduction by Sol Liptzin), in which he tells of the escape of the Edon family from the pogroms in a Lithuanian town sometime in the 'eighties of the last century to the United States. Settling in New York, Noah, *pater familias*, decides to take up life where he left off and does succeed in continuing the observance of Jewish laws and customs. But not so his children: they "go native" and it is not long before Noah Edon realizes that a personal edict is not enough to combat a whole environment.

From the pen of Aharon Cohen comes the second part of his study of the Arab world and **Haolam HaArvi Shel Yameinu** (The Contemporary Arab World, Maanit, IL8) deals with the history of the Arab peoples from 1918 (where Vol. I—The Arab East—wound up) up to 1958. Here is a unique opportunity for the Hebrew reader to acquaint himself with the Arab world. The author has left no stone unturned and overlooks no fact of importance in his attempt to paint as complete and as fair a picture as possible. Everything conceivable is dealt with, from the political regimes to the social structures obtaining in the Arab countries in the forty years under review.

M.H.

... and Foreign

OUR Talmudic Sages have it that three days of darkness fell upon the world when the Septuagint was completed—not because they were literary purists who feared lest the translation had not "captured" the original, but because they feared for the future well-being of Jewry and of Judaism now that the Sacred Scriptures were available in a foreign language. We need not adduce here all the evidence that proves their anxiety to have been well taken with respect not only to Jewish life but also to Christian life. It is perhaps a sign of indifference, fortunately, that no darkness descended with the publication of **The Authentic New Testament** (Mentor, 900 pruta), a modern translation executed by a Jewish scholar, Hugh J. Schonfield.

Mr. Schonfield's scholarship is brilliant and thorough-going and the work is amply footnoted, and excellent essays, taking into account the latest Dead Sea discoveries and theories, place the Christian Bible as a whole, the characters who figure in it, and each of the books of the New Testament in their historical perspective. We believe, however, that it is only the worst kind of goodwilism that caused Mr. Schonfield to recast the New Testament in a language in which the better "Saturday Evening Post" novels are written, the clean, simple, inspirational language of middle-class, Bible-belt America, with Jesus appearing as a slightly eccentric preacher from Kansas with Henry Georgian and Upton Sinclairian ideas. "The Gospel According to St. Mark," for example, becomes "The Good News: Mark's Version." "A house divided against itself cannot stand" becomes "And if any household is at odds with itself that household cannot endure."

The "Apostles" become "Envoys." For "Verily I say unto you" now read "I tell you positively." In "The Good News: Matthew's Version" we are told "How fortunate are the gentle, for they shall inherit the land!"—which is only two syllables longer than "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth," but perhaps miles away poetically. In this same "Version" the people are told: "Pray rather in this way, 'Our Heavenly Father, may thy name be sanctified, thy Kingdom established, thy will be obeyed on earth as it is in heaven. Give us to-day our needful food, and forgive us our failings, as we too forgive those who have failed us. And do not put temptation in our way, but shield us from harm...'"

We cannot imagine that anyone, Jew who reads the New Testament out of curiosity or Christian who reads it as his Sacred Scripture, will be grateful for or will find simpler this attempt to Babbitize the "Lord's Prayer." Nor are we certain whether Mr. Schonfield, in his translation, but especially in many of his footnotes, attempts to Judaize Christianity in order to soften the Jews towards their "daughter religion" or to soften Christians of America towards their brother "spiritual Semites."

Another translation which rather stumbles along but which, because of the quality of the orginal, does not succeed in obscuring the author's message is Francoise Delisle's English rendition of Henri Alain-Fournier's "Le Grand Meaulnes," first published in 1928 by Houghton Mifflin and now by Doubleday Anchor under the title **The Wanderer** (IL1.710). Skip the introduction—except for the first paragraph, which will tell you a few interesting facts of the author's life and of the novel's career.

Then, as you begin to read the novel, if you find yourself putting the book down every paragraph or so, or if you suddenly find yourself staring off into space, it is not because it is difficult or boring but because the echoes of your own childhood, your own present fantasies, are now whispering to you, beckoning you. Read on and bask in the soft, mysterious light of the past that is now focused upon you, and do not speculate upon the significance of the parable.

M.K.

Publications Received

PRAYER, HUMILITY AND COMPASSION, by Samuel H. Dresner. Anthology of Hassidic stories and homilies, with commentary by an American Conservative rabbi. 255 pp. $3.00. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society.

POEMES, HAYIM NAHMANE BIALIK, translated into French by Joseph Milbauer. xxxvi—86 pp. (No price). Jerusalem: French Department of the Youth and Hehalutz Department of the World Zionist Organization.

HAKUZARI HASHENI (The Second Kuzari, or Match Dan), by Rabbi David Nieto. A new edition of the 17th-century London rabbi's attempt to prove, in the dialogue style of Yehuda Halevi's "Kuzari," the validity of the Oral Law. With an introduction by Rabbi J.L. Maimon, and a biography of the author by Dr. Cecil Roth. xx-275 pp. (No price). Jerusalem: Mossad Harav Kook.

ATLAS HISTORI SHEL AM YISRAEL (An Historical Atlas of the Jewish People), by Dr. J. Shapira. With 124 maps. (No price). Tel Aviv: Dr. J. Shapira.

ATIDOT: A Quarterly for Youth, edited by Shimshon Meltzer and Dr. Benzion Benshalom. Winter, 5718. (No price). Jerusalem: Youth and Hehalutz Department of the World Zionist Organization.

Life and Letters

Scrolls in Dutch

A Dutch translation of all the Dead Sea Scrolls and fragments that have been discovered since 1947, with a commentary, is to be published in Holland. The editors are Dr. A.S. van der Woude and Dr. H.A. Brongers, both Protestant clergymen who are also doctors in Semitic philology. The first volume, the "Thanksgiving Psalms," by Dr. van der Woude, has just come off the press. It will be followed shortly by the "Genesis Apocryphon" and the "Habakuk Commentary," also by Dr. van der Woude.

Chinese Novel

Scheduled for publication in March was an American edition of the outstanding Chinese novel, "Dream of the Red Chamber," by Tsao Hsueh-Chin. The first in a series of classical and translations of Asian literature contemporary planned by Twayne Publishers, it is an autobiographical novel which gives a portrait of family life in China 200 years ago. Translated by Prof. C.C. Wang of Columbia, the book has a preface by Mark van Doren.

End of a Day

Somerset Maugham, who was 84 in January, is working on what he says will be his last book. "I hope to finish it in two months," he said. "After that I'm putting up the shutters." The book, a collection of essays provisionally entitled "Points of View," will be published by William Heinemann, Ltd.

New Publishing House

The "International Publishing House of Jewish Literature" has been established in Vienna. Its stated purpose is "to publish the works of Jewish, especially Hebrew, authors, as well as the works destroyed during the Nazi period and not re-edited." The address of the new house is: 1, Seitenstettengasse 2.

History of Sudan

"The Independent Sudan," by Prof. Mekki Shiebika, dean and vice chancellor of the University of Khartum and a member of the Constitutional Commission of the Sudan, is planned for May publication by Robert Speller. The volume presents historical background on the young nation, which has recently been under pressure from the United Arab Republic.

Archives in Japan

Japan's first central documentation centre for science and technology has been set up in Tokyo to meet the growing needs of industry and research. A semi-official organization, supported both by government and private funds—the Japan Information Centre of Science and Technology—will be open to the public from next April. Its services will include the collecting of foreign and domestic publications on science and technology, publishing of abstracts and bibliographies, answering scientific and technological questions, and translating individual articles on request.

Sex Sells

Grace Metalious' "Peyton Place," in print since September, 1956, has become the second best-selling novel "ever published" in the United States. According to Dell, publisher of the paperbound edition, its sales have reached more than five million copies in all editions, surpassing the more than 20-year record of "Gone With the Wind" and second only to Erskine Caldwell's "God's Little Acre," with 6,582,553. The hard-cover edition, published by Messner, has sold more than 300,000 copies.

Publishing Records

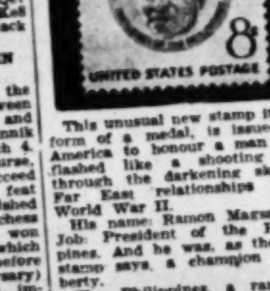
Both the U.S. and England set publishing records in 1957, according to statistics recently reported in "Publishers' Weekly" and the "Bookseller." The new record for the U.S. is 13,142 titles, as against 12,538 for 1956; in England the total was 20,719. The all-time American record actually was set in 1910, when 13,470 titles were published. But the difference is partly explained by the fact that what one generation or land considers a book, another considers a pamphlet or "document" and therefore does not list. The categories listed below, however, with totals, probably mean the same thing in England as they do in the United States.

	U.S.	Eng.
Biography	790	565
Fiction	2,111	3,737
Juvenile	1,557	1,951
Music	84	162
Poetry, Drama	480	598
Religion	1,003	1,199

From the Greene-House

Graham Greene continues to be heard from. His play, "The Potting Shed," presented on Broadway by the Lunts, opened in London early in February with Sir John Gielgud with many revisions and an entirely new third act. The new version has just been published by William Heinemann Ltd., who also promise to publish, in September, a new novel by Greene, "Our Man in Havana," which Greene reportedly calls "an entertainment."

Stamp of the Week



This unusual new stamp in the form of a medal, is issued by America to honour a man who flashed like a shooting star through the darkening sky of Far East relationships after World War II.

His name: Ramon Magsaysay. Job: President of the Philippines. And he was, as the new stamp says, a champion of liberty.

The Philippines, a rambling array of 7,000 sun-showered islands, were under American rule for about 50 years and were granted independence in 1946.

That was when Ramon Magsaysay, the son of a blacksmith, started to make history.

He had built up his personal prestige fighting the invading Japanese in the war. With peace, he became military governor, then M.P., head of the armed forces and afterwards Minister of Defence.

His wide smile, framed in a ruggedly handsome face, beamed from posters all over the land. Under his influence, the Philippines seemed to be settling down to repair wartime damage and forge ahead.

Suddenly a new foe arose — goaded by the desperation born of poverty and steeled by experience in helping to fight the Japs. This new enemy had also a new name — the Hukbalahap. But underneath was an old creed — Communism.

Ramon Magsaysay broke the strength of the Huks; ran for the Presidency and won. All over the Far East his prestige rose to new heights and under his guidance the Philippines flourished. But early last year came tragedy. He was killed in an air crash.

The stamp in his honour is perforated 11 and printed in photogravure.

Chess

March 21, 1958.

PROBLEM No. 1129
Mr. P. ten Cate, Rotterdam
Specially Composed for The Jerusalem Post

Kg6; Qa2; Rh4; Bg2; Ktg5; Pd5, f2. (7)
Ke5; Bd2, Be6; Kth3, Ktb6; Pd6, e3, f5. (8)

White mates in two

PROBLEM No. 1130
A. Ben Menachem, Sarid
Specially Composed for The Jerusalem Post

Ke2; Re4; Ktg3; Pc2, d3, e3. (6)
Ke3; Bg2; Ktf3; Pe5. (4)

Help-Stalemate in three
(Black to play and help White stale-mate in three)

Solutions. Problem No. 1123 (Garara): Setplay 1.—Q:e5+ 2.Kt:e5x, 1.—Qh4+ 2.Ktf2x; Try 1.Qd2? Kte6! Solution 1.Qb3! Q:e5+ 2.Re4x, 1.—Qh4+ 2.R:h4x. Problem No. 1124 (Shpatz): 1.Ka2 Kte4 2.Ktc4 Kc5 2.Ba1 Kb4 4.Ktb2 Ktc3x.

SOLVING CONTEST
Problems 1111-1118

Maximum: 2-5-2-3-2-2-4-2/22. Pincsewski: 2-4-2-3-2-2-4-2/21; Mark Savir-Silbermann: 2-4-2-3-2-2-0-2/17; Jakob: 2-4-2-3-2 2/15; Grinblat 11, Gruenfeld 10, Bassfreund, Spitzer 8, Traub 6.

Notes & Remarks. No. 1111: 1.Bb5? Kt:d3'; 1.Bd7? Re3! "A problem worthy of a prize!" (Jakob). No. 1112: Serious dual after 1.—Ktfd5 2.Ktc5! and also 2.Be7+. Kt:B 3.Rf6: 1.Kte5? R:g8 2.Re5 R:R. No. 1117: Mr. Pincsewski was the sole solver!

Ladder: R. Savir-Silbermann 164, Dr. B. Spitzer 157, J. Pincsewski 150 (Prize winners); Bassfreund 144 Traub 131, Ruppin 115, Grinblat 92, Jakob 52, Gruenfeld 28, Mark 23.

Solutions to J. Goldschmidt, "Bet Maon," Rishon LeZion.

U.S.S.R. CHAMPIONSHIP

One of the hardest-fought games of the 18th round took place between Kotov and Spassky.

Game No. 696
White: Kotov Black: Spassky

1.c4 Ktf6 2.Ktc3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 e5 7.d5 c5 8.g4 Kte8 9.h4 a6 10.Bd3 b5 11.Qd2 b:c 12.B:c4 Ktd7 13.h5 Ktb6 14.Bd3 a5 15.h:g f:g 16.Qh2 Ktf6 17.Kth3 Qe7 18.Kte2 Rb8 19.Ktg3 c4 20.Bc2 Ktb:d5 21.e:d [illegible] 22.Ktg5 h6 23.Kt5e4 Kt:d5 24.B:h6 Ktb4 25.Bg5 Qe7 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.Rh6! Kt:c2+ 28.Kf1 Ktd4 [illegible] Kf7 29. Q:g6+ Kg8 30.Qh7+ Kf7 31.Kt:d6+ Q:d6 32.R:d6 Kte6 33.Ktf5 Rh8 34.Kth6+. Black resigns.

A FISCHER BRILLIANCY

The following game by the 14-years-old U.S.A. champion was played last year in the New Jersey championship:

Game No. 697
White: Fischer Black: Sherwin

1.e4 c5 2.Ktf3 e6 3.d3 Ktc6 4.g3 Ktf6 5.Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Ktbd2 Rb8 8.Re1 d6 9.c3 b6 10.d4 Qc7 11.e5 Ktd5 12.e:d B:d6 13.Kte4 c4 14.Kt:d6 Q:d6 15.Ktg5 [illegible] 16.Qh5 Ktg6 17.h4 Kt:e5 18.Kt:h7!! Kt:h7 19.h5 Ktf4 20.Bf4 Qd8 21.g:h Rb7 22.h6! Q:h4 23.h:g K:g7 24.Re4 Qh5 25.Re3 f5 26.Rh3 Qe8 27.Be5+ Ktf6 28.Qd2 Kf7 29.Qg5 Qe7 30.B:f6 Q:f6 31.Rh7+ Ke8 32.Q:f6 R:h7 33.Bc6+. Black resigns.

WILL BOTVINNIK REGAIN THE TITLE?

The return match for the world championship between title-holder Vassily Smyslov and ex-champion Michael Botvinnik opened in Moscow on March 4. The big question is, of course, whether Botvinnik will succeed in regaining his title, a feat which was hitherto accomplished by only one of the seven chess kings — Aljechin. Having won the first three games (in which he used openings never before employed against his adversary) Botvinnik has gained an important psychological advantage. Any predictions at this stage are premature, of course, but it seems that Botvinnik is resolved to regain the crown and his chances are quite favourable.

SHAKKI WINS JERUSALEM CHAMPIONSHIP

The Jerusalem Championship was won by the young talented player Amiel Shakki scoring 10 points out of 14 games. He was followed by Bresnitz and Grinboim 9½, David and Rosenberg 9, Kreitner and Ron 8, Ettinger and Lifshitz 7½, Dobkin 7, Platt 6½, Kremeni 5, Segalov 4, Galitzki 3, Ben Ya'akov 1½. Old-timers Dobkin and Ettinger had a hard time against the new generation.

Histadrut team championship. Ramat Gan (18) and Holon (17½) were in the lead after the 5th round.

"Reti" championship: Standings after the 6th round were: Kreideman 5, Blass and Persitz 4, Smilliner and Dr. Gruengard 3½ (1), Barav 3½, Ehrlich 3, Rasch 2½ (1), Wolfinger 1½ (1), Labinski 1½, etc.

The "Lasker" championship is to be decided in a match between co-winners Dr. Oren and Kreideman, which opened this week.

Zahal: The annual championship opened this week in Jerusalem (Officers' Club, "Menorah" hall).

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For further information write or apply in person to: Office of the Academy in Acre — P.O.B. 65, Acre. Tel. 106.
Or in person only:
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Haifa: Sundays and Mondays — 9 a.m.-12 noon; and Tuesdays — 12 noon-3 p.m. Mr. Y. Takir, Ministry of Transport, Marine Supervisor at Haifa Port, 55 Derech Ha'atzmaut, third floor, Room 4.

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New Books:
A. V. LEVONTIN, The Myth of International Security. A Juridical and Critical Analysis. IL 6.000
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The Chief Rabbinate—Kashrut Department Instructions for Passover 5718

A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Every person should take care when purchasing Passover commodities that the items have a "hekhsher" from the Rabbinate for this year (5718). The authority of the "hekhsher" on goods from abroad can be checked by applying to the local Rabbinate.

2. No commodity should be bought for Passover from shops or cooperatives that sell "taref" meat tins, pork, "taref" sausage and any other prohibited food.

3. Any commodity whose "kashrut" for the purposes of Passover is not clear beyond doubt may not be used without first consulting the Rabbinate or the local Rabbi.

4. Public institutions, hospitals, etc., should apply to the local Rabbinate for special instructions for Passover.

B. COMMODITIES REQUIRING A SPECIAL "HEKSHER" FROM RABBINATE FOR THIS PASSOVER:

Sausage, dehydrated soup extracts, soup cubes, mayonnaise, seasonings (especially pepper and the like) cheeses, ice cream, halva, smoked meat and fish; all preserved foods including any other ingredient—excluding water—are to be used during Passover only if bearing a special "hekhsher" from the Rabbinate. Care should be taken that all commodities are marked "Kasher-le-Pessah".

C. THE USE OF VARIOUS COMMODITIES

1. Preserved Kasher Meat from Abroad—may only be used if there is a special Passover "hekhsher" which has been approved by the Chief Rabbinate. Following the many forgeries discovered lately, all commodities—especially sausage from abroad—should be checked at the local Rabbinate in spite of their bearing the name of the Rabbi granting the "hekhsher" (even if it is a well known Rabbi) and the word "Kasher".

2. Pure Cocoa, milk powder and egg powder in sealed tins may be used on Passover.

3. Salted fish should be soaked in cold water before Passover.

4. Spirits for kerosene cookers are permitted for use on Passover.

5. Tinned vegetables and fish which do not include any other ingredient except water, and are under rabbinic supervision during the year, are permitted on Passover.

6. Cornflour for children from the Gal'Am Factory in Karkur may be used on Passover. Make sure that the package is marked "Kasher-le-Pessah, under the supervision of the Karkur Rabbinate".

D. WINES AND LIQUORS

1. Wine should be bought only from shops possessing a Passover "hekhsher" from the local Rabbinate. Liquors in Closed Bottles should be checked at the Rabbinate, even if they have a label marked "Kasher-le-Pessah".

2. "Gazoz" Syrups are often made from leavened ingredients and persons should take care to drink "Gazoz" only at kiosks which have a special "hekhsher" from the local Rabbinate.

3. Straws for "Gazoz" are manufactured from leavened glue and are prohibited during Passover.

E. LEAVENED GOODS PROHIBITED DURING PASSOVER

1. "Pat-Tinok" (Froumine, etc.), ice-cream cones, all kinds of wafers, coffee substitutes, beer, meat substitutes of all kinds (synthetic), "Zoof" are strictly prohibited.

2. Kasher Meat preserves and sausage—not marked "Kasher-le-Pessah" may be completely "Hametz" and are therefore prohibited.

F. MEDICINES

1. This year too we have asked the Israel Association of Physicians and Pharmacists to draw the attention of its members to the possibility of prescribing during Passover medicines which do not contain any leavened ingredient.

2. Extracts and tinctures from abroad may contain "Hametz". All pharmaceutical preparations containing alcohol from abroad are prohibited during Pessah. Ask for products made with locally-made alcohol.

3. Capsules and tablets may contain "hametz".

4. Cosmetic preparations, perfumes, eau de cologne, containing alcohol from abroad should not be used.

5. Liquid preparations and powders without starch are "Kasher-le-Pessach". Persons requiring aspirins, quinine, sulphur, and saccharine should take them in powder form instead of pills.

6. Creams not containing starch, root plants, leaves and fruits are "Kasher-le-Pessah."

G. RITUAL CLEANING OF UTENSILS

1. Utensils should be given for ritual cleansing only to a person who has a certificate from the local Rabbinate, stating that he is authorized to do so.

2. Nylon, enamel and bakelite cooking utensils require ritual cleansing.

3. Nylon tablecloths and plastic utensils which are used for cold food may be used for Passover after being soaked in cold water for three days. (Changing the water every 24 hours.)

H. SALE OF GOODS PROHIBITED DURING PASSOVER (HAMETZ)

1. "Hametz" should be sold—this year too—at the very earliest, and not after the burning of leavened food on the fourteenth of Nissan.

2. Persons in charge of kitchens and buffets in government and public institutions, school cooks, etc., should obtain permission from office or institution management to sell "Hametz".

I. TO PERSONS WHO RECEIVE PARCELS FROM ABROAD

Parcels which may contain leavened goods should not be collected from the Post Office or from private companies during Passover week. Such parcels should be itemized when selling the "Hametz".

J. TO OWNERS OF FOODSTUFF FACTORIES

1. Owners of foodstuff factories should approach the Rabbinate to make the necessary arrangements for Pessah and to obtain a "hekhsher" for their products.

2. Products must be especially labelled "Kasher-le-Pessah" together with the hekhsher" of the rabbinate or the local rabbi.

3. In the near future a list of foodstuffs which are "Kasher-le-Pessah" under the supervision of the Rabbinate will be published. Factory owners should make the necessary arrangements as soon as possible so that the lists should be ready at the earliest opportunity.

K. TO OWNERS OF SHOPS AND MANAGERS OF "ZARCHANIOT"

1. Owners of shops and managers of "zarchaniot" are requested to allot a special place for matzot and other Pessah products, so that they can be certain that the products are not liable to become "hametz." It is understood that matzot which are "hametz" should be removed from the shop as soon as the distribution of Pessah matzot begins.

2. Boxes of matzot which are not marked with a Star of David and the words "Kasher-le-Pessah" 5718 should not be used.

3. Take care to sell only foodstuffs which were especially prepared for Pessah under the supervision of the Rabbinate with the "hekhsher" for this year (5718), and labelled "Kasher-le-Pessah".

4. Scales should be cleaned thoroughly and knives and spoons must be new. Liquid measures must be new or ritually cleaned.

5. Bags for "Kasher-le-Pessah" products must be especially for Pessah.

6. Wholesalers, managers of "zarchaniot", owners of foodstuff factories, etc., should sell their "hametz" at the offices of the local Rabbinate or with persons who are authorized by the Rabbinate. A receipt for the sale should be requested, because "hametz" which is not sold may not be used even after Pessah. After Pessah, foodstuffs may only be bought from shops which have sold their "hametz".

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